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# Dutch hopes collapse over summit treaty

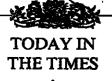
By Robin Oakley, political editor, and Our Foreign Staff

THE Maastricht summit is unlikely to achieve any binding commitment to either political or economic union, it emerged vesterday as negotiations continued on new European treaties due to be signed in six weeks.

Britain said it would not sign a declaration committing the EC to a swift transition to a single currency, even though the new draft treaty on economic union received a warmer reception than most observers had predicted.

Ruud Lubbers, the Dutch prime minister who holds the Community presidency, also accepted that the summit would probably not lead to any definitive treaty on political union and said it should programme" for the 1990s.

Downing Street dismissed the declaration on a single currency, which governments are being asked to sign alongside the treaty on economic and monetary union, as unimportant, irrelevant and "not worth much diplomatic effort". But Norman Lamont told cabinet colleagues yes-





agony aunt's job does not stop when she leaves the office and Virginia Ironside is no exception. But which question is she asked most often? Page 15

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Pickwick Papers was Dickens's first novel: can Dirty Weekend do the same for Helen Zahavi? The Whitbread First Novel Award candidates are assessed on Page 14

**DOUBLE DIP?** 



Ministers say the economy will recover, the CBI records a surge in confidence but economists fear a second recession. In

today's newly expanded Kaletsky looks at the "double dip" theory Page 27

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Employers seeking chief executives, managers and other senior staff are advertising tomorrow in The Times' 12-page appointments section, cir-





1990s "work programme" terday that good progress had

been made on the treaty itself. The Treasury was yesterday still digesting the 87-page document and the first definitive reaction is unlikely to come before the Chancellor's Mansion House speech to is whether Germany, which is morrow, but intense negotiating since the Luxembourg summit in the summer has seen Britain establish several

that there will be no "im- so in the absence of firm position" of a single currency, which remains several years down the track; Parliament will decide both whether and when Britain should participate; and there will have to be considerable convergence of the varied EC economies before EMU can become a reality. However, Douglas are four or five chapters where a great deal of work needs to be done, and where gaps are still quite wide. We will work

hard to bridge those gaps." Jacques Delors, presidential

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK

MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THOUSANDS of jobs are at risk in the BBC with the intro-

duction of market-driven re-

forms intended to save it up to

£50 million over the next four

years in television production

Under a new "internal mar-

ket" scheme unveiled yester-

day by Michael Checkland,

the director-general, and John

Birt, his deputy, all resource

departments in the BBC -

from studios, camera and film

to makeup, scenery and graph-

ics - will be forced to compete

on price and quality against commercial rivals. From

April 1993 all producers will

be free to buy facilities from

new BBC "business units" or

from external sources, includ-

ing ITV companies.
The scheme, Producer

Choice, is seen as the start of

biggest shake-up in the BBC's history. Next Wednesday, the

BBC will announce details of a

second and more significant

plan to cut excessive studio

capacity, which may mean the

closure of several regional

studios and less programme-making at the BBC's White

City television headquarters. Mr Checkland would not

costs and overheads.

currency merger have been disappointed that the latest draft extends the "opt-out" ciause to all 12 states.

Their greatest fear is that omy weakened by resuscitating the east, might drop out of community had not yet been EMU in several years' time which would make currency union impossible this century. An aide to M Delors said: "If you widen the exemption, then you totally change the nature of the whole thing." Although the treaty foresees

great future extensions of the Community's power to watch over and control national economies, the long sequence of convergence that is supposed to end with the switch to the ecu and a European central bank is now cast as an experiment. The key question wary of sacrificing a strong national currency for the unproven ecu, will take the crucial step. The Germans are likely to

The draft treaty confirms be even more reluctant to do moves towards a more federal Europe with a common defence policy. Mr Lubbers yesterday expressed particular Institute in Florence that

yesterday, to the surprise of neutrality. Explaining why he presidency in July. the Dutch government which wanted to pursue more modwas braced for a hostile re- est goals than a full union action. M Delors and govern- treaty, he said that "not

economies?

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put a figure on expected job

losses yesterday, but broad-

casting unions expect redund-

ancies to reach four figures as

they are phased in over the

Mr Checkland said that Pro-

ducer Choice, the result of a

study carried out by Mr Birt,

who is to succeed him in 1993,

would give the BBC "greater

scope to make quality pro-

grammes while ensuring

maximum value for money

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next few years.

Jobs under threat

in BBC market

ments that have argued for a everything is clear in our rapid, binding timetable for minds" of what needed to be done for political union, including such questions as how the principle of subsidiar-ity would work. He also said the limits of sovereignty must be made clear. He thought the "institutional balance of the

> A three-hour session at Downing Street involving most of the cabinet on Monday concentrated on the tacunion topics. Britain is against introducing common defence and foreign policies and is also concerned about the extension of majority voting and about giving the European Parliament more power.

fully worked out".

There will be a Commons debate before Maastricht, in which the prime minister is expected to speak, but there will be no white paper setting out Britain's views on treaty options. Nor will there be any referendum later on the Maastricht package. Downing Street is arguing that since the battle is about preserving parliamentary sovereignty, the calling of a referendum would be a contradiction of the whole policy.

If Maastricht does disintedoubt about whether that grate without definitive prowould be achievable at Maas- grammes on economic or tricht. He told the European political unions, the whole matter will be passed on to Nato must remain the most inexperienced Portugal, which important defence organis- takes over the EC presidency Hurd said of the draft: "There ation, saying he thought more in January for the first time time was needed to reconcile since it joined the Community the different proposals for EC in 1986. The Portuguese had lefence. hoped that they would inherit Mr Lubbers said it would be a re-ordered EC and that they better to review the situation would simply implement the later rather than to insist on movement to a single market. of the European Commission settling everything in Maas- If the Lisbon summit still fails and architect of the definitive tricht, and the Community to sort out the future direction report on monetary union should look again at the of the Community, the prob-four years ago, made no public consequences of the end of the kem will be inherited by comment on the draft text cold war for the concept of Britain, which takes over the

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### Recession ending, says Lamont

By PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE government said yes-

Norman Lamont, the chancellor, said there could "be little doubt that the economy is coming out of recession Yet demand, output and employment have all fallen more sharply than the CBI's reports predicted, and yesterday's survey of 1,203 manufacturers forecast the continuing loss of 5,000 jobs a

weck in the sector. The CBI said it could not say whether, as the prime minister and the chancellor have predicted, a recovery would take place in the second half of this year.

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# moderate. I haven't any red

terday it was now "quite clear" that Britain was coming out of the recession, and attributed the increase in business confidence recorded in the latest survey from the Confederation of British Industry to "the dramatic progress we have made in reducing inflation".



# Gorbachev says he is in control

From Christopher Walker in madrid

PRESIDENT Gorbachev yesterday took the Western stage for the first time since the failed coup and reminded President Bush and a worldwide television audience that he was still in charge of the Soviet Union. He and Mr Bush today jointly open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid, where the chief protaganists yesterday moved towards an apparent

Mr Gorbachev later held an unprecedented meeting with Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli prime minister, the first ever between a Soviet meeting Mr Gorbachev, Mr Shamir was asked whether, under pressure from all sides, he would draw red lines beyond which Israel would not go.

accommodation.

He told reporters: "There are no red lines and I am feeling no pressures ... There is no need to harden," he said. "There is no need to

Mr Gorbachev's declaralines. I have one line - the line of the Land of Israel." tion that he was in charge came against a background Faisal al-Husseini, the Palestinian leader, said Palof diplomatic reports that estinians could accept inanother communist hardline terim self-rule in the Israelicoup may be attempted in occupied territories, prov-Moscow this winter if the ided this led eventually to an supply of basic necessities indepedent Palestine. Mr there does not improve dras-Shamir said that Israel could

The chaotic situation inside the crumbling Soviet empire dominated the twohour meeting at the Soviet

embassy. President Bush asked repeated questions about the power struggle and later appeared reassured with the answers he received. Mr Gorbachev disclosed that the breakaway Ukraine had reversed an earlier decision Continued on page 22, col 3

Amos Oz. Conor Cruise O'Brien, Richard Owen, page 14 Diary, page 14

### Back on stage with lack of snap AS THE post-coup President ents. Kremlin watchers anchorman of the newly

Gorbachev returned yes-lerday to the heady world of lost much of his aura of conf-channel. international diplomacy, it became clear that his foreign as well as his domestic authority has been damaged seriously by the events of the past two months (Christopher Walker writes).

not wait any longer for-

peace, and that terrorist acts

would not derail the

Ouestions at his press conference with President Bush were dominated by the situation inside the Soviet Union rather than world ev-

lost much of his aura of confidence. "A lot of the spring has gone out of his step, and a lot of the snap," said Steve Hurst, Moscow bureau chief of Cable News Network.

"I have never seen Gorbachev with such a thin schedule . . . What is happening in Madrid is a sign things have changed so much, you should not call this a summit," said Yuri Rostov, the

"You did all right ... you are still a master," Mr Bush said in a well-amplified aside after the news conference. Mr Gorbachev smiled in response, but those watching took away the clear impression that whatever the personal characteristics of the men, these were no longer leaders operating on the same plane.

### **Dubrovnik** waits for siege to resume

From Tim Judah in Dubrovnik

the team of EC monitors got from one Dubrovnik, citizen Adriatic".

His cynicism was partly understandable. Colonel Silvio Mazzaroli, an Italian military attache leading the team. the beautiful old quarter of the out electricity, people had city had been devastated, come to buy the stock of There will be no graphic candles. pictures of ancient churches pounded by mortar fire to stir the conscience of the West.

The real disaster lies elsewhere. The soldiers have laid waste everything in their path on their way to Dubrovnik. CBI survey, page 23 The villages around have been Anatole Kaletsky, page 27 burnt, emptied and looted. For a month, the city has

"WHEN those chickenheads been without running water, have gone, the army will begin electricity and fresh food. Its again." That was all the thanks population has been swollen by 12,000 refugees. At first glance life looks normal, but it after they had battled their is an illusion that quickly way into "the pearl of the fades. Sobbing gently before Titian's masterpiece The Assumption above the altar in Dubrovnik cathedral, an old woman said: "They are selling the candles in there." A nun could find little evidence that said that, after a month with-

> Down by the seashore, fam-ilies fill buckets of water for washing and laundry. In the town centre, they queue patiently for drinking water distributed by fire engine. "We have enough left for

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### At last — white to win in 100 billion moves

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

A POWERFUL computer has solved an old chess conunpossible moves, the computer drum, in 100 billion moves. Using the latest type of parallel processor at the Los Alamos laboratory in New Mexico, a computer scientist has proved that a king, a rook and a bishop can defeat a king and two knights in 223 moves. and two knights, a position the und two knights, a position the world's grandmasters have six remaining pieces might

problem in five hours. Hopkins University in Balmoves to end the game in victimore, wrote a 10,000-line tory for king, rook and bishop. program for the Los Alamos machine which worked back- whole series of endgames in 50 moves after all the ensure that it did not become

showed that even when startsive position of the 7.7 billion combinations available, the king, the rook and the bishop

pondered for years and always have fallen very differently, imagined must end in a draw. players would long since have The computer solved the settled for a draw. The computer showed that on average Lewis Stiller, from Johns it might take as many as 120

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Black in the optimum defensive position

on almost indefinitely. The World Chess Federation has ruled that any game is a draw The problem is one of a if checkmate cannot be forced wards from a winning pos- without pawns which can go pawns have gone. The success bogged down in communic-

parallel processors to perform analyses hitherto considered most powerful of computers.

In a parallel processor, the electronic devices work simul
During the Tilburg tour-

taneously on different aspects of the problem, instead of in succession, one after the other. Parallel processors have more brain, and are increasingly being applied to problems such as recognising patterns.

The program succeeded because Mr Stiller was able to

November edition of Scien-working, "It's very important, tifle American, does more sort of like discovering there is than simply resolve a question a new element," according to in chess. It shows the power of Hans Berliner, a computer scientist from Carnegie-Mel-Ion University in Pittsburgh. too complicated for even the Mr Stiller says the program

> nament now in progress, Anatoly Karpov and Gary Kasparov reached a very similar endgame. Kasparov man having only a rook left against Karpov's two knights and a bishop. The game, however, took 10% hours before a draw was agreed.

Women's champion, page 9

# FAMOUS GROUSE FINEST SCOTCH WHISKY PRESENTS CURIOUS FACT No 6. In the winter of 1974, a French club match saw Villiers les Nancy a clear 62 points ahead of their opponents. Villeneuve. Villeneuve however, later claimed that they a snowman. Built by the bored Villiers full-back, the little chap, whilst totally stationary, was still quick enough to upend one of Villeneuves' tardy wingers.



# Generals of '71 rally for renewed battle over Europe



Jenkins: Britain unable

THE European question never seems to be settled in British politics. Monday's dinner of veterans of the Commons vote 20 years ago, in favour of Britain's membership of the community, was supposed to be a sentimental celebration with speeches by the victorious generals (Edward Heath and Roy [now Lord] Jenkins) and rose-tinted memories by the ageing colonels and captains of the historic struggle. But the evening turned into a call to arms in a continuing battle.

So controversial is the issue that many current MPs preferred not to attend and be associated with the main speakers. Margaret Thatcher sent her regrets, dressed up in a reaffirmation of a Europe of

retirement to help the council,

said the authority was the

Western Isles, which already

suffered a very poor economy.

Audit and that the matter may

be the subject of a report to me

by the Accounts Commission

in due course.

Mr Lang added: "In reach-

Twenty years after the vote that took Britain into the EC, the European question shows no sign of being settled, writes Peter Riddell

nation states. Only Nicholas Scott of the present administration was present, although there were several of Mr Heath's close aides (Lords Pym, Rippon and Prior) and the hard core of pro-European Tories. Roy Hattersley expressed "a general distaste for meetings of old comrades' associations".

Denis Howell was the most prominent of those Commons survivors of the 69 Labour MPs who gave Mr Heath his majority (another, Dick Douglas, is now a Scottish Nationalist). Most of the others are now retired, either voluntarily or involuntarily, as was pointed out by Bill Rodgers, organiser of the dinner and unofficial whip of the 69 in 1971.

Amid the mutual self-congratulation at having participated in a great event, there was a sense of regret that their votes 20 years ago had not resolved the question. Neither did the subsequent legislation, the 1975 referendum, or the battles in the 1980s over Britain's contributions to the budget. Now it is back again, with the Tory

agonising ahead of the Maastricht "members of the current govern-

Lord Jenkins of Hillhead argued that every party leader apart from Mr Heath had mishandled the European issue at the price of not exercising Britain's leadership role in Europe, not safeguarding British interests and not even advancing narrow party interests. The British people, he conceded, were not Euro-enthusiasts, but they were also not interested in narrow legalistic definitions of sovereignty and would respond to a strong pro-European note.

For Mr Heath, it was inconceivable that Britain should again be on the sidelines by opting out of the European Monetary Union. He blamed any disillusionment on

ment who, for 12 years, have said not a single good thing about the community"

There is the paradox that all main parties, and most voters, now support active British participation in the community, but that Britain remains a "resentful and ill-suited member, in the words of historian David Reynolds in his new book, Britannia Overruled. It is partly to do with differing approaches to methods of government, but is also a reflection of Britain's desire to keep open its options about its international role.

As Lord Jenkins noted, all parties seem unable to leave aside their most divisive issue. From ernments regularly made their difficulties worse by returning again to the divisive issue of tariff

In 1971, he argued that the only sensible course for Labour was to lean back in a tolerant manner and leave the Heath government to get on with the European question. But it did the reverse. Similarly, in the past few years, the Tories have found it hard to avoid stumbling on Europe. John Major is unlikely to be the last British prime minister to attempt to obscure these contradictions by compromise and fudge.

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# Council can borrow to offset £24m **BCCI loss**

By KERRY GILL

WESTERN Isles council, Mr Carter, who came out of which lost £24 million invested with the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International in July, was last night given permission to borrow a similar amount to help it out of its immediate

Ian Lang, the Scottish seccircumstances which led the retary, said it was plain that the council had to have the money to meet spending commitments this financial year, but the council would be responsible for all interest and

The borrowing, likely to be from the Public Works Loan Board, is expected to lead to about 200 council redun- entire costs of the borrowing. dancies and an increase in the The loan charges will accordpoll tax from £77 a head to ingly not be taken into acmore than £200. The council count in the calculation of the will have to find more than £3 council's revenue support million a year for the next 30 grant for 1992-93 or future years to meet interest repayments.

Mr Lang said: "I am sat-, isfied that the Western Isles council will need to borrow. during the remainder of this Western Isles, said that it was financial year in order to very disappointing that the adjust to the consequences of government had not yet reits BCCI loss. I have therefore alised the full extent of the granted the council consent to crisis facing the isles. borrow up to a maximum of

Cutbacks of up to 12 per all departments and there could be a liquidation of assets. The council has even services in months to come. considered selling its headconsent we would have had to regard it as a bad debt which would have been crippling."

### Sir Leslie Martin wins top Riba prize

By JOHN YOUNG

SIR Leslie Martin, a distinguished architect, yesterday received the 1991 Royal Institute of British Architects trustees' medal for his work at the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation in Lisbon. The work included acting as architectural and planning consultant for the master plan and design of the Centre for Modern Art and the Children's Pavilion.

Sir Leslie, aged 83, was born ing this decision, I am not in Manchester and educated at expressing any view on the the University of Manchester School of Architecture, where council to deposit money in he became an assistant lec-BCCI. I am aware that these turer and received a doctorate circumstances are being inin 1934. He became head of vestigated by the Controller of architecture at the University of Hull and worked for the London, Midland and Scottish Railway and for the London county council.

The trustees' medal hon-

ours Sir Leslie for his part "in

the creation of an urban space.

the Gulbenkian Foundation's

complex of buildings in its

Lisbon park, crowned by his Centre for Modern Art and

Acarte". The new award, in-

augurated last year and en-

dowed by Marley plc, recognises outstanding

architecture anywhere in the

world by a British designer.

"My consent is subject to In 1956 he became profesthe council itself meeting the sor of architecture at Cambridge University and was a consultant for building work at the universities of Hull, Leicester and London. He taught throughout his career and has been visiting professor at Oxford, Harvard, Yale years. It will be for the council and the Royal College of Art. itself to decide how to meet Sir Leslie received his these costs." knighthood in, 1957 and was

Last night Mr Calum Mac-Donald, Labour MP for the awarded the Royal Gold Medal for Architecture in 1973. The citation said that he had made a "truly outstanding contribution to architecture and planning". "It is simply not good

£24 million in the period up to enough to give the council borrowing consent," he said. "The government must be cent are being considered in prepared to help in a more positive way if we are to avoid massive job losses and cuts in

"I shall be seeking an urgent quarters in Stornoway and meeting with the Scottish leasing them back. Tom Car-office at which I hope to ter, acting finance director, present a petition from the said: "If we had not got people of the Western Isles

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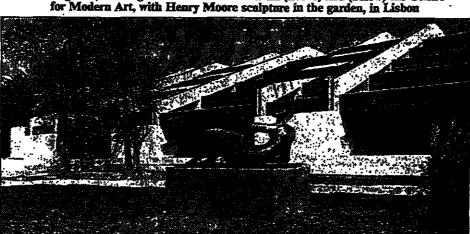
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Winning face, winning facade: Sir Leslie Martin (above) and (below) his Centre for Modern Art, with Henry Moore scalpture in the garden, in Lisbon



### Fishermen angry at EC 'betrayal'

By MICHAEL HORNSBY AND KERRY GILL

government of betrayal yes- which have been using drift terday in the wake of a nets for more than two years European Community agree- will be allowed a further 18 ment on new measures to months during which they conserve fish stocks.

But David Curry, the fish-eries minister, defended the deal, which was reached in Luxembourg on Monday night after two years of bitter

argument.
"The fishermen must stop
this constant bellyaching." said Mr Curry. "They say they want conservation but they oppose every single measure that is put forward. Every time they trot out the same old press releases saying it is the end of the world as they know

The agreement will limit the length of drift nets used for fishing tuna in the North Atlantic, so as to reduce the killing of dolphins and other sea mammals, and increase the minimum mesh size of nets used to trawl for cod and haddock in the North Sea, allowing more juvenile fish to

FISHERMEN accused the from June 1, 1992, but vessels

may use nets up to three miles. This concession, required to appease the French, who have 37 vessels licensed to use drift nets in the North Atlantic, was bitterly attacked by Cornish fishermen. "We have been stabbed in the back once again by our own government," Mike Townsend, chief executive of the Newlyn-based Cornish Fish Producers' Org-

anisation, said. David Scott, chairman of the National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations, based in Grimsby, said: "Time after time we commit ourselves to looking at new fisheries and time after time the politicians, egged on by ill-informed environmentalists, attempt to destroy us."

Mr Curry said the concession to the French had been necessary to get agreement. Nothing is giving fishermen escape. a worse image with the public
The measures take effect than the drift-netting issue."

### Heart disease toll 'could be halved'

By THOMSON PRENTICE, MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

UP TO 70,000 people a year in Britain could be saved from premature death due to heart Wales do not have their own disease if cardiologists were cardiologist to whom they can able to spend more time on be referred for expert diagnoprevention and early treat- sis, investigation and treatment, specialists said ment, according to the survey. "At least 150 cardiologists

yesterday.

A reduction of nearly 50 per cent in the annual toll of about are needed in addition to the present total of 388 to provide even a modest level of service 165,000 such deaths was feasible by the end of the decade, which still would not match Douglas Chamberlain, presithat in Western Europe," Dr Chamberlain said. dent of the British Cardiac Society, said.

Professor Dame Margaret However, the target was Turner-Warwick, president of now beyond reach because of the Royal College of Phy-sicians, said that the shortage a shortage of heart specialists, and that shortage was due was not a political issue and largely to the short-sight-edness almost 30 years ago of the medical profession itself, could not be laid at the door of any party. "The manpower debate has been going on for Dr Chamberlain said. many years and we have to A national survey published look at the role of the medical by the society in collaboration profession itself in our current

difficulties." Dr Chamberlain said that too few cardiologists were struggling to cope with an overload of patients, many of whom had to wait up to two years for heart operations, and as long as a year to be seen by a

## Maxwell backs Davies against spying claims

of the Daily Mirror, defended the editor." He dismissed the newspaper's sacked foreign editor Nick Davies yesterday, against allegations that Mossad allegations are sheer he was an Israeli intelligence rubbish and invention." agent and betrayed the whereabouts of Mordecai Vanunu

He said Mr Davies had been dismissed only for lying to his editor about a visit to Ohio in 1985, but that the Mirror group would stand by him against the allegations.

Mr Davies initially denied meeting arms dealer Clarence Kaufman at his home in Ohio in 1985, a claim used by Seymour Hersh, the American author, to support allegations in his book, The Samson Option, that Mr Davies was involved in an arms dealing company along with Israeli agent Ari Ben-Menashe.

As Mr Davies was sacked yesterday, William Johnson, an American arms dealer. withdrew a denial he had made to the Daily Mirror about meeting Mr Davies, and said that they had met at Mr Kanfman's home to discuss a sale of weapons to Nigeria.

Mr Maxwell, asked on BBC Radio 4's World at One why Mr Davies was sacked, said: the disabled among her in-Because regrettably, though terests. "She will also be a we stand by the defence of him | deputy to To Richardson on

### **Politician** met agent in secret

From ROBERT COCKBURN IN SYDNEY

A LEADING Australian polit- Newspapers ician admitted yesterday that he had had two secret meetings with Ari Ben-Menashe the self-styled former Israeli intelligence officer at the centre of the Mirrorgate affair, as part of an investigation into an alleged Australian link in the Iran-Contra scandal. John Howard, the former

Liberal leader and now his party's industrial spokesman, told The Times that he had been given "absolutely fascin-ating" information by Mr Ben-Menashe, who claims to reprimanded. have been in an Israeli team involved with the United States in selling arms to Iran.

Mr Howard's meetings with Mr Ben-Menashe, kept quiet until yesterday, were in Sydney. "If you have found out, then I am not going to deny that," Mr Howard said. "I'm interested as an Australian parliamentarian in what he has to say, because they are, to say the least, interesting allegations. Obviously, if true, they would be very disturbing." Mr Howard said that Mr

Ben-Menashe had alleged that George Bush, the American president, visited Paris in October 1980, before the election of Ronald Reagan as president, to arrange the arms-for-hostages deal. "That was the most extraordinary [allegation]." Mr Howard said. "I'd like to believe that Mr Bush is an honest man."

Mr Howard's main interest is in Mr Ben-Menashe's claim that arms for Iran went through

ROBERT Maxwell, publisher betrayed Vanuau, he lied to

He said that the claims that Mr Davies had betrayed the whereabouts of Vanunu, an Israeli nuclear technician, while the latter was in England disclosing his story to The

other allegations contained in

the book: "I'm sure the

Sunday Times, had been confirmed by The Sunday Times as being a "lie and a fabrication".

### Labour post for woman

Sylvia Heal, victor in the Mid Staffordshire by-election, yesterday became the eleventh female member of Labour's front bench team when Neil Kinnock named her as one of the party's junior spokesman on health.

Mrs Heal, a social worker and salagistrate, lists equal opportunities for women and

Dale Campbell-Savours, the MP for Workington since 1979, becomes a deputy to Ann Clwyd, who previously worked alone as Labour's spokesman on overseas aid (development and co-operation). Keith Bradley joins the social security team led by Michael Meacher.

# obey rulings

THE Press Complaints Commission has upheld only 13 complaints out of a total of 253 received between June and September, Ken Morgan, the commission's director, said the results showed that newspapers were keeping the threat of direct government control at bay by refraining from repeating errors for which they had already been

Lord McGregor, the commission's chairman, gave deliberate flouting of commission rulings would lead the next government, whether Tory or Labour, to introduce statutory regulation.

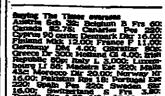
### German visit

THE Oueen and the Duke of Edinburgh are to make their first state visit to a unified ing her 40th year as monarch. The itinerary is likely to include parts of the former East Germany and Berlin.

### CORRECTIONS

of Councillor Lady Anson in our feature on Life and Times on Monday ("What women want: a new manifesto") was in fact a picture of Lady Elizabeth Anson, the sister of the Earl of Lichfield, Lady Anson qualified as a barrister in 1952 and not 1974.

Roger Boyes' Warsaw Note-book (October 21) said that John Le Carré charged a Warsaw theatre £150 for each performance of Spy, a dramatis-ation of The Spy Who Came in From the Cold. The royalty finally negotiated by his German agent was in fact £26 a performance - the standard rate for Warsaw theatres. We apologise to Mr Le Carré for any implication of profiteering at the expense of the



# Campaign to preserve Dylan Thomas's home

with the Royal College of

Physicians shows that al-

though Britain has one of the

worst rates of heart disease in

the world, there are seven

times fewer cardiologists in

the UK than in 20 European

countries, and almost ten

times fewer than in America.

EVEN the wild, sad master poet of Wales could not have dreamt in his wildest excesses of drink-laden death that one day former prime ministers and presidents would be willing to fight to preserve the house in which he was born. Although he wrote most of his poems in no 5 Cwmdonkin Drive, Swansea, Dylan Thomas did not appear to have much loved the Edwardian period house, which is now on the market for £89,000.

As a baby, when he cried, his father said "put the little bugger through the window" and as a youth, Thomas wrote

bedroom was so small he had to walk outside to turn round. He wrote: "I first saw the light of day in a Glamorgan villa and, amidst the terrors of the Welsh accent and smoke of the timplate

stacks, grew up ..." Frank Jones, a farmer who bought the property in the "ugly, lovely town", said yesterday that he had decided to sell because he had had enough. He added: "The tourist board dismiss him as a boozer, but he was much, much more than that,"

Last night Lord Callaghan of Cardiff confirmed that he and his friend, the former US president Jimmy Carter, an to a friend complaining that his admirer of the work if not of the lifestyle

of Thomas, were willing to help the English department of the University College of Swansea to raise money to preserve the building. Lord Callaghan said: "I have spoken to former president Carter on the telephone and he is very keen on the idea."

Since he purchased the house eight years ago, Mr Jones says he has spent £30,000 on restoring it as a time capsule. Because of its connections, a premium of £15,000 has been added.

Thomas, who died in New York after a drinking spree in 1953, was always short of money. The asking price for the house in which he was born would have



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# Libel court told of actor's humiliation over article

By ROBIN YOUNG

A HIGH Court jury is ex- turn, as members of the cast pected to spend the next five filed instead into court 13 at days considering a question the Royal Courts of Justice in that 16 million television the Strand. Autograph hunt-viewers might think ridiculars, including court ushers, had a field day as stars of the Barlow of Coronation Street really boring?

The actor, Bill Roache, who has played the much derided Barlow since Coronation Street was conceived 31 years ago, is suing The Sun for libel because an article printed last November alleged that he was as boring in real life as his character was on screen.

Mr Roache said in court yesterday that he had been "devastated and humiliated" to read the article, which alleged that he was boastful, smug and self-satisfied, and had often come close to being fired from the series.

He had experienced a moment of "real horror" when he read a bold headline saying that he was "hated by the

Mr Roache told his counsel, Charles Gray, QC, that he had sued over only part of the article because the rest "raked up things in my past" the details of which he did not want to go over for the sake of his family.

The trial has already emptied the bar of Coronation Roache, who was neither Street's pub, the Rover's Re-smug nor self-satisfied, and

Street took turns in the witness box to tell the jury what a good bloke Ken Barlow really

Betty Driver, who has played Betty Turpin, the barmaid at the Rover's Return, for 22 years, told the jury that Bill Roache was "the least boring person I've ever met in my life". Miss Driver said that Mr

Roache was her best friend. She was godmother to his son. To call him smug was ludicrous and to say he was self-satisfied was "absolute rubbish". He was, she said, "just lovely", "a very, very capable actor", and "very dedicated" if a very to the self-satisfied was self-satisfied. dedicated". If any of the cast were in difficulties they would congregate in Mr Roache's room. He was one of the most loved people among the cast.

Johnny Briggs, who, as the Street's sharp southerner Mike Baldwin, enjoyed an onscreen love affair with Ken Barlow's now estranged wife, Deirdre, said that he had never heard anyone say anything detrimental about Bill



"in no way whatsoever" boring. In spite of their screen rivalry, in real life, he told the partners.

Michael Le Vell, who as the actor". unemployed mechanic Kevin Rover's, rated Mr Roache's professional ability "100 per cent" and said: "I've always found him the most genuinely approachable person." Bill

Father left

to die,

**OC** says

By PAUL WILKINSON

A DAUGHTER who stood to

benefit from her father's will

the Street's know-all busy- plied: "Can I put Bill Roache body, Percy Sugden, said that court, he and Mr Roache were he had had five roles over the gentleman.' the best of friends and golfing years but considered Bill Roache "far beyond me as an

Jury is expected to judge the boredom rating of Coronation Street character

Mr Waddington said that Webster lives next door to the Mr Roache helped him as a "Bill Roache is the last person the cast said thatthey had new recruit to cope with technical rehearsals and was whether he thought Mr

Waddington, best known as satisfied, Mr Waddington re-fierce worker".

Finally, Amanda Barrie, most professional actors she

The Sun's article, written by

into one word? He is a Ken Irwin, who was described as "a Street insider from the start", claimed that Bill who plays Ken Barlow's Roache was "universally nick-present girl friend, the cafe named BKB — Boring Ken owner Alma Sedgewick, said: Barlow". The witnesses from anyone would hate. He's not a never heard of it. Mr hateable man." She said that Waddington commented: "I "very supportive". As to he was one of the nicest and thought it was a motor bike".

# Judicial review ruling a test for NHS trusts

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

review over a health authority. authority's alleged failure to Mr Jus procedures in setting up as an NHS trust.

Rochdale metropolitan borough's application against December 16.
Rochdale health authority is Rochdale c the first case of its kind and could have implications for other trust applications.

The council argues that the authority did not provide tion that the consultation enough financial information procedure followed by the in its consultation documents to allow the public to assess whether an adequate level of health care could be provided.

Under government guidelines prospective trusts have authority to carry out proper to provide broad financial information in their applications, including the unit's financial strategy, and cost implications of staffing and information systems.

More detailed information on income and expenditure has to be submitted separately to the NHS management executive.

Following concern expressed by the Commons health committee early this summer, all successful trust applicants will in future have to publish three-year business plans, but not until the month before they become established as self-governing hospitals.

Anthony Scrivener, QC, for the Lancashire council, said that the case raised the onestion of whether financial details of the Rochdale trust project should be made avail-

A COUNCIL was yesterday able to those who had to be granted leave for a judicial consulted, including the local

Mr Justice Hodgson defollow proper consultation cided there was a case for an application for review and a provisional date for a full hearing has been fixed for

> Rochdale council is now seeking court orders quashing the health authority's decision not to release certain financial information, and a declarahealth authority was in breach of provisions of the 1990 National Health Service Care

The council will also apply for an order forcing the health consultations, including revealing details of the trust business plan to the council.

The health department said vesterday that the health authority had made all the necessary information available. "The Rochdale health care trust gave three full months for consultation and followed the guidance on the amount of financial information required in their application document" a health department spokesman said.

Gloria Oates, the chief executive of the health authority. said that the authority had fulfilled all the criteria on consultation. "The application document had a section on finance, including income and expenditure accounts,"

David Williams, chairman of Rochdale's shadow health board and one of the main figures behind the action, said he was delighted with yesterday's decision. "Our argument is that the consultation process was meaningless," he

"We argued in court that it was flawed in that we did not have access to the business plan and as such could not make any sort of judgment about the level of health care available in Rochdale. We want them to give us a business plan."

Rochdale was given approval in principle last month to become a trust in April 1992 pending the outcome of the application for a judicial



Survivor: Alexandra Dixon, who was carried to safety after being gored by an elephant in Kenya

### Elephant attack hero honoured

By ALAN HAMILTON

tusks of a matriarchal ele-phant was decorated with the carried Miss Dixon 300 yards Queen's Gallantry Medal at to safety. Buckingham Palace yesterday.

was about to kneel on her and undoubtedly saved my life."

A CAMBRIDGE zoologist gore her again when Dr who saved a colleague from Thouless threw stones at the being gored to death on the animal and beat it between the

After the presentation by Christopher Thouless, of the Queen, Dr Thouless, who the Worldwide Fund for Nareturns to Kenya today, reture, and Alexandra Dixon, called the elephant attack, "I head of the overseas conserva- was quite frightened, but there tion programme at London was nothing else I could do," zoo, both aged 31, were track-ing elephants in Kenya in recovered from her injuries October last year when Miss and is back at work at Regent's Dixon was charged by a three- Park, said: "I had given up ton female. She lost her when Dr Thouless rescued footing and the elephant gored me. It was an act of very her, tossed her in the air and considerable bravery which

### left him to die after she found he had taken a drugs overdose, a jury was told yesterday. Keith Iremonger, aged 58,

had changed his will in his daughter's favour only seven weeks previously, Conrad Seagroatt, QC, for the prosecution, told Nottingham Crown Court

He said the daughter, Cheryl Shacklock and her husband Robert, both aged 38, and a neighbour, Patrick Kendrick, found Mr Iremonger on the kitchen floor at his home in Arnold,

He had taken a mixture of drugs but was still alive. They decided to leave him there to die," he said. "He was left for something like 37 hours and finally died."

Mr Seagroatt said that the father was depressed, upset and lonely after a 16-year relationship had come to an end. He also faced charges of indecent assault involving a girl aged 13. At an inquest on Mr

Iremonger, Robert Shacklock had given evidence that he had last seen him alive on a Thursday night and found him dead at Saturday lunchtime. "It became apparent that

the three defendants had come to some agreement to hide what had happened." Mr Seagroatt said. The three have pleaded not

guilty to conspiracy to pervert the course of justice. The Shacklocks have also denied manslaughter and Mr Shacklock has denied committing perjury at the inquest.
The hearing continues

### Crime initiative hailed as success

By QUENTIN COWDRY HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

A FALL of 39 per cent over two years in the number of recorded burglaries on a Wolverhampton housing estate will be among of batch of statistics cited by ministers "safer cities" anti-crime programme is working.

The programme, launched in 1988, is the flagship of the Home Office's attempts to tackle crime by forging partnerships between local probation service, industry and community groups. According to a report published by the department today, the initiative is beginning to achieve small, but measurable, reductions in crime in

some areas. Among the successes noted are a 39 per cent drop in recorded burglaries between 1988 and 1990 on the Lunt housing estate, Wolverhampton; a 9 per cent fall in car crime in 1990 in a large multistorey car park in Nottingham; and a 9 per cent fall in recorded crime in the second quarter of 1991 in Birmingham city centre. The report also claims that the initiative has led to a drop in fear of

crime in parts of the 16 cities covered by the programme. Ministers said last night that the report indicated that the government's new emphasis on "multi-agency" ap-proaches to tackling crime held out the best hope of reducing offending, though they accepted that the suc-

cesses were limited. John Patten, Home Office minister of state, said last night: "The home secretary and myself are very pleased with these first emerging results of concentrated local community action against crime. We intend to develop

today as evidence that their also calling for increased cen- of under 90,000," she said.

tral funding ator of Birmingham Safer offences in one area can made to improve leisure

receive £7.1 million from the police beats and a population campaigns. government this year, is of around one million, yet we under-funded. Many of the get roughly the same grant as to three crime-ridden council Home Office-appointed of Hartlepool, which has 17 estates on Birmingham's ficials who run the projects are police beats and a population southern margins, where res-

Judy Clements, co-ordin- that efforts to curb property homes, and efforts are being Cities, said it was absurd that simply divert burglars and car facilities for children.

However, the report is un- each project received about thieves to neighbouring dislikely to still criticism from £240,000 a year, regardless of tricts. That, they say, further Labour and some criminolo- the size of the town or city it backs their arguments for gists that the programme, to served "Birmingham has 171 more widespread preventive

The project has now spread idents are receiving grants to Project organisers accept improve the security of their

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# Aussies kick Tebbit test into touch

NORMAN Tebbit will have his work cut out at Twickenham on Saturday rounding up fickle Australians. None of the thousands of Australians who have made Britain their home is planning to support England against the Wallabies. Mr Tebbit invented a novel nationality test, originally linked to cricket:

when it comes to the crunch, which team do you support? "I'll risk Norman Tebbit." said Ron Clarke, the Australian long-distance runner who is now managing director of a chain of London sports clubs and has been living in England for nearly a decade. The writer and television presenter Clive James also fails the Tebbit test. "I don't really support

countries, I support people. I support

Campese, and I'm glad to see that the

rest of the Australian team does too," he

Many Australians, possibly fearful of Tebbit's wrath, have fled the country. Barry Humphries is in Los Angeles, Rolf Harris is playing his wobble-board somewhere in Australia; the actor Keith Michel is in Canada; Rupert Murdoch is in America; and the cricket commentator Ritchie Benaud is wintering at Sydney's Channel 9. Bruce Gyngell, the chief of TV-Am, is still in London. but a spokeswoman said: "He's too busy sorting out TV-Am's future to watch rugby on television."

Bruce Matthews, chairman of Satellite Information Services, which brings horse racing to betting shops, and the former managing director of News International, publishers of *The Times*, said: "I've been here since the early 1970s and I'm certainly vigorously supporting Australia. I expect them to win by ten points."

Dee Nolan, the Australian-born edi-tor of Metropolitan Home magazine and a London resident for 12 years, said: "There is no way I'd pass the Norman Tebbit test. My husband is English and mad keen on rugby. We're both going to the match on Saturday. But we're sitting separately."

David Looker, president of Australian Business in Europe, advises calling off the search. "When it comes to sport, every Australian living in London fails the Norman Tebbit cricket test, and Mr Looker is worried that few

the programme."

Australians know their national anthem. He wants them to learn it so that they can give their team a boost. In the spirit of fair play, we publish here the words of Advance Australia Fair. Australians all, let us rejoice, for we are

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# Police chief blamed over Hillsborough retires early

By PETER DAVENPORT

of police at the Hillsborough police officer. "I quite underfootball stadium when 95 stand that the bereaved rel-Liverpool supporters were atives and friends will be killed in a crush on the angry at my decision, since it terraces is to be retired from rules out Mr Duckenfield's the force on health grounds, it involvement in the planned was disclosed yesterday. He disciplinary tribunal for which will not face a planned disciplinary tribunal

Lord Justice Taylor's interim findings were published in August, 1989, four months after the deaths.

Relatives of the victims said last night that they felt yesterday's decision had cheated them of justice.

Richard Wells, the new chief constable of South Yorkshire police, said that Mr Duckenfield was suffering from depression and posttraumatic stress disorder and



Duckenfield: will not face

THE senior officer in charge was too ill to continue as a

been preparing for some Chief Supt David Duck- months," he said. "David enfield, aged 48, who was Duckenfield has become the criticised for his conduct on symbolic focus of much of the the day by the official report anguish felt by those who were into the disaster, was suspended from his post when must deal with the man, not the symbol."

Mr Wells, who took over the force after the retirement of Peter Wright, the chief constable at the time of the disaster, said that Mr Duckenfield was another victim of the Hillsborough tragedy. He said that his decision was taken after "careful consideration" of a report from the police staff surgeon, an independent physician.

Philip Hammond, of the. Hillsborough Families Support Group, whose son aged 14 was among those who died, said: "We feel we have been cheated of justice. David Duckenfield was the man to blame because he was in overall charge. How he could be suspended at first, and then only go off sick when disciplinary charges were brought,

The chairman of the group Trevor Hicks, whose two daughters died, echoed the feeling of injustice, but said the group had to accept that

### Decision will renew discipline debate

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

sion comes at a time when the be index linked. Home Office is considering Critics of the discipline dures for officers with medical over the discipline procedure.

The average pension for an officer of Mr Duckenfield's discipline hearing. rank in his circumstances would be about £23,000 a of his entitlement, giving him a £86,000 lump sum and £17,250 a year.

The pension is enhanced because Mr Duckenfield is leaving the police through ill health. Although he has served 28 years he will draw

CHIEF Supt Duckenfield's the pension for 30 years' early retirement with a penservice, the maximum. It will

new guidance to chief con- system say the present regulastables on discipline proce- tions allow officers facing discipline to escape examinaproblems. The decision to tion by producing medical allow the South Yorkshire evidence. The need for change officer to leave will almost was raised after Scotland Yard certainly renew the debate agreed in 1988 to allow Detective Supt Tony Lundy to resign rather than face a

The Home Office has already issued some guidance year. He could cash a quarter reminding forces that they can review a pension if the officer seems to have recovered. Now new guidance is on the way which calls for chief constables to seek a third medical opinion beyond the force's chief medical officer and the officer's GP.

### Children's officer 'not gay'

By DAVID YOUNG

THE former social worker at sex abuse had taken place at the Leicestershire children's terday that he was a that

Frank Beck, aged 49, was giving evidence at a Leicester denies 27 charges of physical a Punch and Judy professor.

and sexual abuse.

The trial judge earlier this week ordered the withdrawal of five other charges, three of buggery and two of assault occasioning actual bodily harm. He said that the prosecution evidence could not justify verdicts.

Mr Beck yesterday told the jury at the start of the trial's seventh week that he was not gay. He had served nine years in the Royal Marines and would have been thrown out had he been involved in

He denied allegations made during prosecution evidence that he had been an interrogator and boasted about torturing prisoners or others. After leaving the marines he had a variety of jobs before he worked at a Leicester probation hostel for a year and with Northamptonshire social services for another 12 months.

After completing a two-year course, he was put in charge of the Poplars children's home in Market Harborough in 1973, when he was 31.

Two of Mr Beck's former deputies. George Lincoln. aged 39. of Sudbury, Suffolk. and Peter Jaynes, aged 42, of Chatham, Kent, deny a total The trial continues.

### **Traditions** win Punch title fight

By PETER DAVENPORT

IT IS not every day that some the centre of allegations that one can win a British championship aided by dexterity with a swazzel. Yesterday, homes he ran denied yes- however, Mikel Dee did just

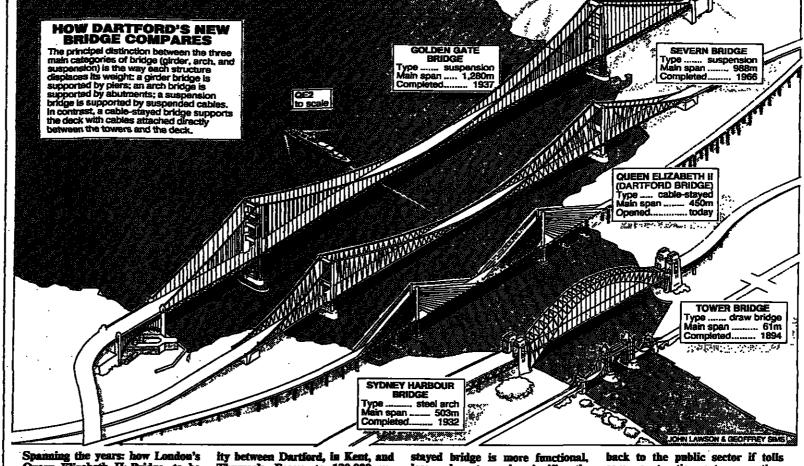
The swazzei is the tiny device, details of which are a trade secret, held in the mouth Crown Court trial, where he to give the distinctive voice of Because it is hard to master, many in striped booths have forsaken the swazzel, to the

dismay of traditionalists. Yesterday, the fifth British Punch and Judy championships were held at Patrington. near Hull, with extra marks given for use of the swazzel. Geoff Barry, the organiser, said: "Some professors cheat and say they use a swazzel, but don't. It is very difficult to master and many people end up swallowing them. But we want to encourage Punch and Judy to continue in the traditional manner so we decided to pay special attention to the use of the swazzel this year." Six of Britain's estimated 150 "professors" vied to be national champion. Each did

and an audience of 300. Mikel Dee, aged 50, of Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Notting-hamshire, triumphed despite having woken up yesterday to find that thieves had stolen his new car with his puppets and his booth. Mr Dee won with borrowed equipment, but his

12 minutes before six judges

own swazzel.
"Details of just what a swazzel is are a closely guarded secret handed down in families," he said. "I can say that it took me 18 months



Queen Elizabeth II Bridge, to be opened to traffic by the Queen illustrious counterparts. The bridge, which is the first to be built downstream of the City of London since Tower Bridge in 1894, will double existing river crossing capac-

Thurrock, Essex, to 130,000 vehicles a day in each direction, and will help to ease one of the most M25. It is the largest cable-stayed bridge in Europe and cost £120 million. Although closely related to less elegant and significantly cheaper. The new bridge is the first large-scale infrastructure project this century to be wholly financed by the private sector. The consortium of backers has a 20-year lease from the transport department to operate the bridge which must be handed

cover construction costs sooner than expected. Only southbound traffic will use the four-lane bridge, and northbound traffic in the two Dartford tunnels: 80p for cars, £1.30 for two-excle lorries and £2.10 for articulated lorries.

### Wrens to remain at sea, says admiral

By MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE decision to send Wrens to sea is irreversible, in spite of a number of "titillating" stories appearing in newspapers. Admiral Sir Julian Oswald, chief of naval staff, said yesterday.

He said that he fully supported the decision to allow women on Royal Navy war-ships, and that the advantages vere enormous.

Since the announcement in February last year that the traditional ban on women at sea was to end, 250 Wrens have served on board ships, all of them converted to allow separate sleeping quarters and showers for the Wrens.

Sir Julian praised the "first class" performance of the Wrens on HMS Brilliant during the Gulf conflict, on which 20 Wrens, 16 ratings and four officers, served.

A number of navy wives have claimed that their husbands would be tempted to form relationships with Wrens. Sir Julian said, how-ever, that the decision to send women to sea was the right one. "We had to go down this road and the decision is totally

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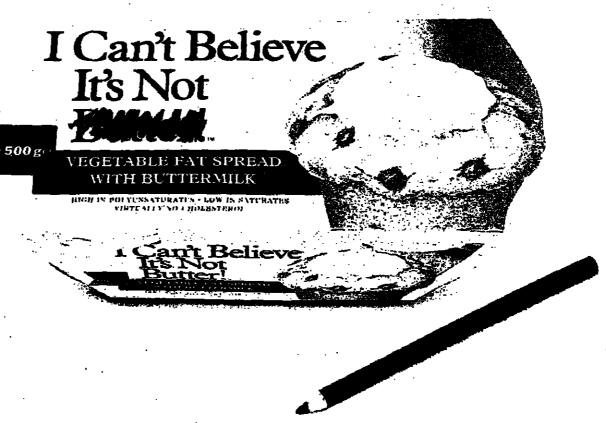
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# Ownership wrangle as stolen Renoir turns up in Japan

By SARAH JANE CHECKLAND, ART MARKET CORRESPONDENT

A £450,000 Renoir painting stolen from the Bond Street gallery Wildenstein four years ago in what was called the fishing line theft" has turned up at the gallery's Tokyo branch, leading to a dispute over who owns it.

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Had the painting, A Vase of Flowers, surfaced in this country, there would be no question that the rightful owners would be the Lloyds underwriters who reimbursed Wildenstein for its loss. Under Japanese law, however, title can be passed on in respect of stolen goods purchased in inches, was "fished" out of the good faith. The insurers and window with a rod and hook

The saga began on April 4, man spoke of the painting 1987, shortly after Van Gogh's Sunflowers fetched the world knew exactly what they record of £24 million, and wanted," he said. record of £24 million, and flower paintings were all the rage. A policeman on night patrol in Bond Street spotted a hole in the window of the it into Wildenstein's in Tokyo Wildenstein gallery. There was no alarm or immediate signs of disturbance. However, a display easel 12ft

inside the window was empty. The only feasible theory for the theft, according to detectives, was that the painting, which measures 14 by eight

writers, said: "The man said he was acting for a finance company, which had been asked to advance money on it We got a court order for the the present possessor are now so thin that they could not be locked in a civil dispute over ownership.

so thin that they could not be detected by the security system. A Scotland Yard spokespicture to be impounded while title is established." The insurers appointed an investigator, who discovered that the painting may have passed through Switzerland on its way to Japan. Switzer-

> which title can pass if a sale takes place in good faith. New Scotland Yard and Wildenstein staff assume that the painting must have changed bands since the theft, because the present possessor of the painting would never have taken it into Wildenstein's knowing it to have

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being stolen to order. "They

Nothing was heard of the

painting until last month

when a Japanese man brought

and asked for a valuation.

Staff asked him to leave the painting with them for inspec-

Michael Payton, solicitor

with Clyde and Co, which

represents the Lloyds under-

tion, and notified Interpol.

been stolen. Mr Payton is optimistic that the underwriters will recover their money. "There are no legal issues," he said. "There is no indication that the person who handed the painting to the finance company is going to claim it." However, the Civil Code of Japan, 1972, in which the country's laws are enshrined, says that title for stolen goods can pass if the object is bought "in good faith and without negligence". According to Article 194, "the injured party or the loser cannot recover the thing unless he reimburses the pos-

sessor for the price of it".



The one that got away: Renoir's A Vase of Flowers

### **Kuwaitis** launch poppy appeal

THE Last Post echoed around walls hanging with portraits of the Kuwaiti royal family yesterday as the Royal British Legion poppy appeal was launched on foreign soil for the first time in its 70-year history.

British Gulf commanders and veterans assembled at the Kuwaiti embassy, London, to watch Ghazi Al-Rayes, the Kuwaiti ambassador, unveil a plaque dedicated to British servicemen who fought to free his country.
"British soldiers died in

the fight to liberate Kuwait.

They left a part of them-

selves in our hearts," he said, asking those present to remember also more than 2,000 of his countrymen being held hostage in Iraq.
Archie Hamilton, the armed forces minister, who laid a wreath beneath the plaque, said funds raised by the appeal would be needed to help servicemen who fell victim to imminent cuts in the armed forces. "That too the armed forces. That, too, will produce many difficulties in terms of resettlement of our servicemen and we know we can count on the Royal British Legion to play a very important role in that as well," he said.

The poppy appeal raised nearly £13 million last year, enabling the legion to help more than 100,000 people, veterans of this century's wars and conflicts and their



Paying tribute: Ghazi Al-Rayes, the Kuwaiti ambassador, at yesteray's ceremony

### Computer will jog solicitors' memories

By Frances GIBB LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE rising cost to solicitors of bailing out dishonest or incompetent colleagues has led to the creation of a company that aims to capitalise on solicitors' abysmal record in

remembering key dates. The company, Professional Memories, is a computerised memory service that aims to cut the cost of negligence claims arising from missed dates, and papers being lodged "out of time".

The founder, Clement Noel,

a consultant with his former law firm in Surrey, said: "The aim is to make it impossible for solicitors to overlook a vital date, and not to be dependant on the availability and continuity of trained staff. It is a fact of life that most solicitors forget a vital date on some occasion in their

careers. about 60 per cent of negligence claims were time claims, he said. This year, the cost of professional indemnity in-surance in England and Wales is due to rise by more than 34 per cent, with the indemnity fund paying out £120 million. Under Mr Noel's scheme, which is backed by a £2 million indemnity policy from Sun Alliance, solicitors pay a fee of £22, inclusive of VAT. and receive two recorded delivery reminders of any date up to six years ahead. The

scheme will be launched next

### Fake nurse tries to steal baby

Police are searching for a woman who posed as a nurse to try to take a newborn baby rom the John Radcliffe hos-

pital, Oxford. The woman, aged about 30 and wearing what appeared to be a nurse's uniform, walked into a single room in the hospital's maternity unit and asked to take the two-day-old baby from its mother, aged 23, who became suspicious and alerted staff.

Police questioned staff yesterday but confirmed that none was near the room when the attempt was made.

Nimmo banned The actor Derek Nimmo was fined £200 and banned from driving for 12 months by Plymouth magistrates after admitting to drink driving.

Pit bull attack

Michael Pryer, a police con-stable aged 31, had 36 stitches in his face after being attacked by a pit bull terrier in West Ham, east London.

Noise curb

An noise abatement notice has been issued against a police station in Cardiff after residents complained of barking from stray dogs kept there.

Oil tanker leak Thousands of gallons of crude oil leaked from a tanker at Canvey Island, Essex.

Paper boy dies A newspaper boy aged 14 died after being hit by a car in Shirley, Hampshire. Milk marketing

### Reply to monopoly abuse charge due

By MICHAEL HORNSBY: AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

powers. Unless John Gum-

European Court of Justice. Raymond MacSharry, the European agriculture commissioner, setting out the case who have been skimming month ago, and should have direct to customers, have

powers received the European Commission's blessing after Britain joined the European Community in 1973, their legal interpretation is now

being challenged. 40 per cent of the British milk however, value the security of market, is a processed product daily milk collection and a and falls outside the board's monthly cheque from the powers. It argues that farmers board.

BRITAIN has been given who separate the fat themuntil today to respond to a selves, or have a commercial formal warning from Brussels interest in a dairy that does so, that the Milk Marketing are under no legal obligation Board is abusing its monopoly to sell to the board. Brussels has intervened at a mer, the agriculture minister, delicate juncture in the 58can persuade Brussels that the year history of the milk

abuse is being dealt with, or marketing monopoly. Mr produce new evidence in Gummer has put pressure on mitigation, the government the board to become more may find itself before the market-oriented, and the board has suggested turning Mr Gummer received a itself into a voluntary co-'reasoned opinion" from operative, a proposal that has sharply divided dairy farmers. About 300 rebel farmers,

against the board about a their own milk and selling replied by Friday. He asked been warned by the board that for more time to take legal their producer licences could advice and to consult the be withdrawn if they do not advice and to consult the concerned parties.

At stake is the board's exclusive right to buy milk from the 30,000 dairy farmers sell milk directly. The dead-line for signing the agreements it to processors at prices fixed annually in negotiation with the Dairy Trade Federation. Although those monopoly sowers received the European Critics of the milk market.

Critics of the milk marketing scheme say that it is has stifled innovation, allowing continental dairy products to take a growing share of the British market, and depressed The nub of the dispute is the returns to farmers while keepcommission's argument that ing the consumer price of milk semi-skimmed or low-fat higher than it need be. Many milk, which now accounts for small farmers in remote areas, The new Amstrad PC5286" with Lotus 1-2-3 from only £549+vat" The world's best selling business programme with the PC5286 the very

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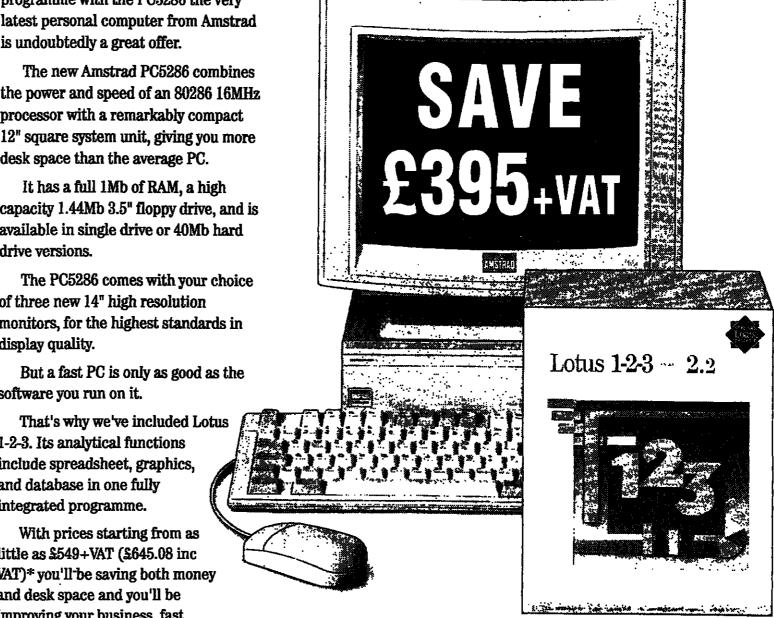
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### Fish warms to Scots offering

By KERRY GILL

GLOBAL warming may be to blame for an invasion of Scottish waters by sharp-toothed trigger fish, which can munch their way through shellfish, wreak havoc among salmon on fish farms and devour an underwater thermometer with a

single bite.
Trigger fish usually frequent the warm Mediterranean, so scientists are baffled as to why they should swim all the way to the chilly Scottish west coast. It may, they think, be due to global warming and the meals available once there.

More than 20 of the fish have been detected in recent months, and this week the Sea Life Centre, near Oban. was given a trigger found in a



Trigger fish: preys on shellfish and farm salmon

fisherman's creel off Mull. It joined several other examples being studied at the

Triggers grow to about 12 inches and have erect spines on a dorsal fin with which they wedge themselves into crevices. Once they enter a creel or a salmon cage, their shape makes it difficult for them to escape. Terry Donovan, of the Sea

Life Centre, said: "It's very unusual to find them this far north. We don't know the explanation, although there are all sorts of theories, including global warming." Trigger fish can be found

in the warmer seas off the south coast of England in summer, but tend to remain in the Mediterranean. When the presence off Scotland of the first trigger was reported, it was thought that it had become lost

However, with so many having been seen, it is believed that they are attracted by warmer water in the North Atlantic drift. Once they arrive off western Scotland, noted for its hundreds of fish farms and lobster fisheries, it seems that there is every reason to stay.

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# Hanoi accepts boat-people deportations

THE TIMES WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30 1991

# Hong Kong pledges to avoid using force

of the detention centres. Re-

cent British lobbying in Washington has failed to budge the United States from its "total

opposition" to forced repatri-

ation, but Mr Asprey made it

clear the agreement was be-tween Britain and Vietnam

and the deportations would go ahead despite American

ment on compulsory deporta-

tion was close, provoking fears

of a return to the violence that

followed the last attempt at

forced repatriation in Decem-

ber 1989. The international

outcry that propoked scared

Vietnam into changing its

By separating out the dou-ble backers and any new

arrivals, officials are optimis-

tic that they can avoid trouble

among the long-stayers at least

in the short term, hoping that

by the time the repatriation

programme gathers mo-mentum, most of them will be

resigned to their fate.

Tension has been running

BRITAIN and Vietnam yesterday signed an agreement to allow the deportation of tens of thousands of Vietnamese boat-people from Hong Kong, despite fears of an inter-national outcry if force has to be used against them.

Senior Hong Kong officials promised to do their best to avoid resorting to force, emphasising the need for an "orderly and dignified return to Vietnam". They gave a warning however, that boat-people would be sent back with or without their consent.

Kong's secretary for security, said Vietnam had guaranteed that nobody deported under the agreement would face persecution. He said Vietnam vould continue to allow United Nations refugee officials to monitor the conditions of people sent home.

Under the agreement, any boat-people arriving in Hong the deportation of a small Kong after last night will undergo the much criticised screening process, jumping the queue of 40,000 people already awaiting the process in the colony's crowded detention centres. Those thought backers" who have not volunnot to be genuine political teered to go home. Mr Asprey refugees could be returned to said he thought the whole Vietnam within six weeks.

return of the nearly 20,000 two to three years. boat-people already rejected for political refugee status be sent back is small. Since the over the past three years are end of the sailing season last still being worked out with month only a few boatloads of Vietnam, mainly to ensure people have reached Hong that its poverty stricken north- Kong. But once the principle ern provinces are not swamp- is established the government



Alistair Asprey, Hong ed with people they cannot absorb. But Mr Asprey in-sisted Hanoi had agreed to the principle of returning them against their will if necessary.

The new agreement, signed in Hanoi by Peter Williams, the British ambassador, goes further than the limited accord signed with Vietnam last week giving the go-ahead for number of boat-people who have returned to Hong Kong for a second time. The Hons Kong government still hopes next month to repatriate the first of the 200 or so "doublepopulation of the camps could Exact arrangements for the be sent home over the next

The initial number likely to

Checking out in style: Xie Jun waving to spectators in Manila after becoming the women's world chess champion

### Chinese becomes chess queen

XIE Jun, from China, has champion for women. By drawing the 15th game of her world chess championship challenge in Manila against the previous champion, Maya Chiburdanidze, from Soviet Georgia, Xie reached 8½ points, which in match terms was unassailable. Chiburd-anidze finished on 61/2.

Xie, whose 21st birthday is today, is the first postwar women's world chess champion not to come from the Soviet bloc. Indeed, she is the first Chinese chess player ever to win a world chess championship. Remarkably, she has won her world crown a year earlier than did Gary Kas-parov when, in 1985, he became the youngest men's champion at the age of 22.

In the international tournament in Tilburg, The Netherlands, officially the highest-rated tournament ever. Kasoarov holds the lead after nine rounds with seven points. Second place is held by the Indian, Viswanathan Anand. Britain's top-rated grandmaster, Nigel Short, is

### America silent on deal

From Martin Fletcher in Washington

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long-standing American pol- Kong's camps.

NEWS that Britain and Viet- icy of opposing forced repatrinam had agreed to the man- ation to a communist country. American reaction to yes-Hong Kong boat-people terday's agreement on manbrought only a muted reaction datory return of refugees was from the Bush administration, crucial to its success. Washwhich was what the British ington's strong public government had privately condemnation of the forced repatriation of 51 boat people There was no statement in 1989 led Hanoi to halt from either the White House further involuntary repatrior the State Department, ations, and a similiar reaction Pressed for a reaction, spokes- this time would probably have men merely reiterated the encouraged resistance in Hong

# US gets to soul of stereotyping

WITH a sea of artificial blood and fancy dress worth \$250 million, America celebrates Hallowe'en tomorrow, a night that has leapt in the past ten years from a children's feast to an excuse for adult revelry that is close to eclipsing new year and Christmas

The Hallowe'en mania which last year sparked riots in Greenwich Village and has led to widespread arson in Detroit in recent years, is seen as part of a new craze for the gothic which in turn springs from a clash between America's increasingly violent, secular society and its oldfashioned puritanism. But while the middle

classes are letting off pagan steam and revellers commit



their now traditional riots in the inner cities, the watchdogs of America's new ideology hope that at east the children will desist from playing with such "harmful stereotypes" as witches, ghouls and

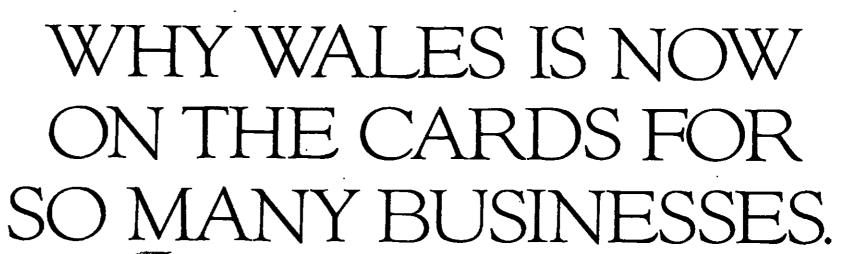
What once seemed fun is now deemed damaging to minorities under the philcsophy of the politically correct: "The Hallowe'en image of the witch - old, ngly, wicked and dressed in ick - reflects stereotypes of gender, race and age." says a teachers manual published in Washington. This, it says, suggests that powerful women are evil, old women are ugly and that the colour black is evil.

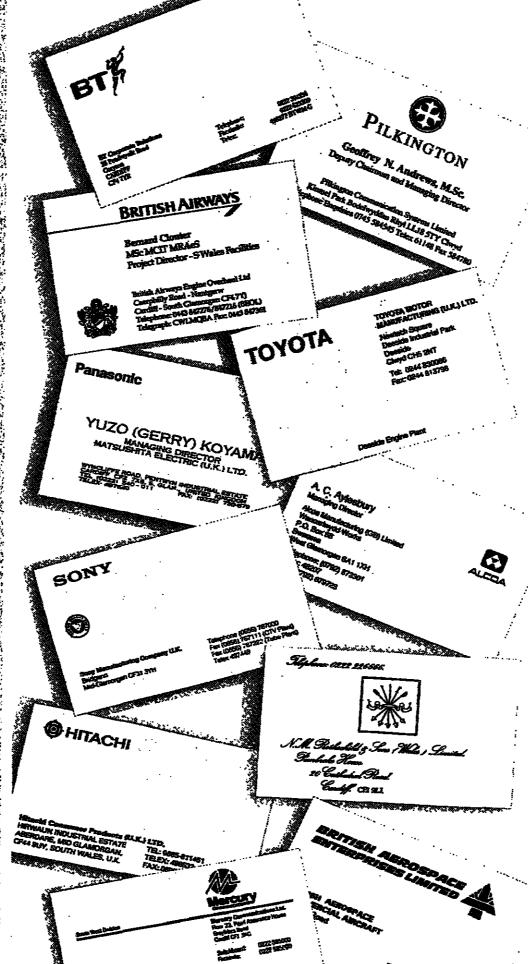
teachers to tell children that witches were misunderstood, friendly types who helped people with herbal healing and midwifery and it suggests an essay on good witches you know". Ghouls such as Dracula

or Frankenstein's monster are no better because they reinforce negative stereotypes about the handicapped and deformed, teachers across the country are telling their pupils. As for bats, the animal rights movement is none too happy about their negative image because the species is threatened with extinction

in some places. Do not even mention Freddy Kruger, the killer of the Nightmare on Elm Street series and all those heroes of the pop-gothic "slasher" or "splasher" films who have recently flooded America. These are, of course, prohibited such old stand-bys for little girls as princesses are none too popular since they reinforce unhealthy notions of wealth and female pas-sivity. Thoughtful parents already know the correct answer to little boys who want to dress as violent ninja turtles, terminators or US Marines.

On the other side of the political fence, fundamentalist Christians are lying in wait for thoughtless toddlers who see Beelzebub behind such copywrited he-roes as Casper the Friendly Ghost. And, beyond Halwarned of the dangers of Christmas stereotypes. A shopping centre in Colorado pioneered that field last year when it chased Santa Claus from its precinct on the ground that he represented a "negative body image". Next in line, say the experts, is the irresponsible promiscuity of the Easter bunny and the questionable psychosexual implications of Easter eggs.





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# Shamir and al-Husseini adopt conciliatory tone on eve of Madrid peace conference

# **Palestinians and Israel** set aside brinkmanship

ISRAELIS and Palestinians for a final settlement to begin appeared yesterday to aban- after the third year. Israel Palestinian independent state don the game of diplomatic envisages Palestinians enjoy- that will later join in a brinksmanship they have ing some rights to elect leaders confederation with Jordan." played over the past week, to run limited aspects of He was speaking after Israel instead displaying growing government such as edu- said it would not allow itself to flexibility on the eve of the cation, but it refuses to relin- be distracted from the peace Middle East peace conference. Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli related areas such as defence armed attacks against Israelis

prime minister, and Faisal al- and foreign policy. Husseini, the most prominent member of the Palestinian conciliatory statements. If these are followed up in the next three days, they could provide the sort of impetus needed to make the con-

Speaking at a press con-ference, Mr al-Husseini, who is barred from attending the talks but is recognised as the leader of the Palestinian delegation, said that Palestinian negotiators would accept an interim autonomy plan in the occupied territories as long as the move would guarantee an independent state.

Although the concept of Palestinian statehood is rejected by Israel and opposed by Washington, the fact that the Palestinians are willing to compromise and to try an interim solution could signal a substantial breakthrough. Under proposals offered by the Israelis, the 1.8 million Palestinians living in the West Bank and Gaza Strip would be granted autonomy over a fiveyear period, with negotiations

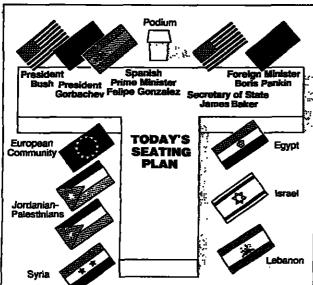
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quish its control over security- conference by the recent of Asked what Palestinians Lebanon.

would aim for at the peace delegation in Madrid, made talks, Mr al-Husseini replied: "Autonomy for an interim period that will move us Palestinians from a people had "no doubt whatsoever under occupation to a people that eventually there will be an

with full independence and a in the West Bank and

Saeb Erekat, a member of the 14-member team attending the talks in a joint delegation with Jordan, said that he



Mr Shamir, looking and sounding unusually optimistic for a leader who has until now displayed scepticism about the peace talks, yesterday emphasised the positive aspect of the conference and moderated his language when describing the violent in-cidents. "We do not wish to wait any longer for peace," he said before holding separate talks with President Gorbachev and James Baker, the American Secretary of State. "We truly believe that, if our counterparts have come here in the same spirit, our years of waiting will have come to an end." He described the attacks yesterday and on Monday as actions motivated by people with a passion for blood",

"Some might have expected, in the face of this terror, Israel would not attend the conference," Mr Shamir, who will open tomorrow's session with the first speech by the countries directly involved in the Middle East conflict, said. "But despite this violence, our quest for peace is unrelenting. We believe that all who desire true peace should unite in condemning without reservation these unspeakable acts."

who had responded to recent

calls to intensify attacks on

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conference he put together in eight Middle East journeys. His goal is to keep the Arabs Israelis talking long enough to change the climate and reach a breakthrough that still seems impossible.

PALESTINIANS



● Faisal al-Husseini, from east Jerusalem, is widely described as the real leader of the Palestinian delegation, but will not be at the negotiating table. In 1948 his father led Arab guerrillas against Jewish forces. Since the PLO is running the delegation, his absence is not significant.

SOVIET UNION

• James Baker, the American • Boris Pankin, the foreign • Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli Secretary of State who, at 61, minister of the Soviet Union, prime minister, whose decision is the urbane ringmaster of the the junior partner in a process being run on an equal basis with Washington in name only. The Soviet Union has too traditional pro-Arab stance.

JORDAN



● King Husain of Jordan, who faces the biggest problems at home because of bitter Muslim represent him, and Jordan



key land-for-peace issue will not be easy. A former guerrilla leader and Mossad spymaster, many domestic problems to leader and Mossad spymaster, play an important part, but he believes passionately that has helped by modifying its the West Bank, as part of bibliographical many descriptions. lical Israel, must be retained.



by agreeing to some form of state, but in reality has little Palestinian confederation.

A tough iourney in three stages By RICHARD BEESTON

AGENDA

TODAY'S opening session of the Middle East peace con-ference in Madrid is the first of a three-stage process aimed at resolving the Palestinian question and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Stage one is intended purely as a ceremonial three-day event, beginning today, with opening addresses by the two superpower hosts, Spain and the observers Egypt and the European Community. Tomorrow, Israel, its Arab neighbours and a delegation representing the Palestinians will each be given threequarters of an hour to set out their positions before the

negotiations start. The second stage, which is due to begin early next week, will open the first bilateral talks between Israel and her traditional foes, Syria, Lebanon and a team representing Jordan and the Palestinians. The Arab states offer to recognise Israel and conclude a peace agreement with the Jewish state in exchange for the withdrawal of all Israeli forces from the territories that

they currently occupy. Syria wants the return of the Golan Heights, captured by Israel in the 1967 six-day war. The Palestinians seek to create a state in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and Arab east Jerusalem. Beirut wants the withdrawal of all Israeli forces from the so-called security zone in southern Lebanon.

Israel has refused to withdraw from these territories. Instead, it offers Syria peace for peace with no land concessions, and the 1.8 million Palestinians in the occupied territories semi-autonomy. It has pledged to withdraw from Lebanon only when its security needs along the border are satisfied, and Syria and all other foreign forces have also pulled out of the country.

Stage three, due to begin in two weeks, is intended to tackle pressing regional problems such as water resources and arms control and will include participants from Egypt, which has already made peace with Israel, and the Arab Gulf states, who do not share borders with Israel but have maintained a state of belligerency. But it is still not whether Syria and some key Arab participants will progress is made in phase two.

 Paris: France said yesterday it was sending a special repre-sentative to the Madrid conference (John Phillips writes).

The foreign ministry named the envoy as Bernard Bajolet, its deputy director for North Africa and the Middle East. A spokesman said that France, supported by Italy, had insisted that a representative of each of the 12 EC member countries should accompany the Dutch delegate who is representing the community.

Jean-François Deniau, the deputy president of the foreign affairs commission in the national assembly, earlier described France's absence from the conference table as a ereat setback for French diplomacy". France's exclusion from the peace talks marked the "obliteration" of the country on the Middle East diplomatic scene, according to M Deniau.

Roland Dumas, the foreign minister, said Paris would participate directly at the Madrid conference if the French were required to use their close links to the region.

### • President Assad of Syria. aged 61, whose dream is to fundamentalist opposition to Heights. Syria, which has the talks. Kamel Abu Jaher, fought four wars with Israel his new foreign minister, will and remains its main enemy has paid lip service to the drive may yet be a catalyst for peace for an independent Palestinian

### Kremlin makes regional retreat

From Mary Dejevsky

THE opening of an inter- against Iraq and the allied national peace conference on victory in the Gulf war have the Middle East, with the Soviet Union and the United States as co-sponsors, should have been a highlight of Soviet diplomacy and of President

The call for such a con-Soviet foreign policy for many years. Soviet co-sponsorship would appear to give Moscow continuing role in the region and a say in its future. Thus, Moscow's political interests will be protected. Mr Gorbachev, moreover, will not only occupy an equal position with President Bush at the head of the table, but can claim some personal credit for persuading Moscow's Arab friends to talk to Israel.

And yet the moment of personal and national diplomatic triumph is not what it would have been even a year ago. Seen from Moscow, the Madrid conference seems very far away, and the Middle East only a little closer. Previews of the meeting occupied only a tiny proportion of the Soviet press yesterday - and those papers which did mention it gave it at most a 50-50 chance of success. Departing from Moscow's traditional pro-Arab stance, most were neutral in their analysis, noting the difficulty of reconciling the Arabs' land-for-peace policy with Israel's peace-for-

Part of the truth is that the significance of Middle East peace for the Soviet Union has declined with the end of the to side with the Western allies Soviet foreign policy abroad.

GORBACHEV

made regional peace almost Now, as successive visits to

the region by Yevgeni Prima-kov, Mr Gorbachev's special envoy, have shown, the Midference has been a pillar of the East for Moscow has changed from being a region in which American influence must be curbed into a potential source of economic help. The countries with which Moscow needs good relations have charged from those strong in territory and military might, Syria and Iraq, to the oil-rich states of the Gulf.

But Moscow's interest in the opening of the conference is also reduced because Moscow is hardly a superpower any more, except in terms of nuclear capability, and is scarcely running a foreign policy. Moreover, there is hardly a Soviet state to cele brate a Soviet foreign policy triumph. Most outstanding foreign political questions appear either to have been handed over to the Soviet republics, or to have been claimed by them.

Mr Gorbachev has been reticent about how he sees the future of foreign policy. His response to Mr Bush's arms control initiative was a counter-initiative and could be classified as "defence" rather than "foreign policy". peace stance. A few even took His very silence on the subject suggests that his starring role at the opening of the con-ference and his first foray outside the Soviet Union since the August coup could be one Cold War. Moscow's decision of the last times he represents

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# West Bank show goes live

Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli deputy foreign minister and media darling, discovered to his dismay on arriving in Madrid yesterday that he can no longer take for granted his title of champion television personality of the Middle East.

"Bibi", as he is known in Israel, has not lost any of his looks, nor his mastery of the TV "sound bite", which transformed him during the Gulf war from a junior minister into an international celebrity. Rather, the Arabs have a secret weapon: an ordinary looking, middle-aged, Palestinian mother of two from Ramallah on the West Bank. Yesterday, Hanan Ashrawi, a Christian Palestinian and professor of English literature at Bir Zeit University, began the first of many interviews planned

for this week and aimed at

turning the Middle East

conflict into something of a Americans are at the famed television duel against the Palace Hotel, and the Leba-Israeli officials are con-

fident that Mr Netanyahu

will remain on top in the debate. "No one can beat Bibi at this game; that is why he is here today", said one diplomat. However, Mrs Ashrawi's firm but reassuring manner, her articulate and unemotional arguments, her sense of humour, and sensible suits may be more in tune with the mood of Madrid than the more pugnacious style of her Israeli rival.

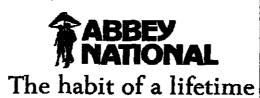
he propaganda battle is I not the only aspect of Madrid where the Israelis appear to have come off second best. They also seem to have lost the first round to the Arabs in the allocation of hotels.

Senior delegates from Syria and Egypt bave been

nese, in characteristic fashion, have installed themselves at the most exclusive hotel in the city, the Santo Mauro. The Palestinians and Jordanians, while not enjoying similar luxury, none the less have been housed in Ernest Hemingway's old haunt, the Hotel

he Israelis, with their special security needs, have been located away from the other delegations at the Princesa, a modern concrete establishment that looks custom-built to withstand all manner of attack. However, it will hardly give the Israelis a good opportunity to enjoy the city.

The Soviet delegation faces very different, financial, problems, which it is hoped might be smoothed over by American and



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### Four die in southern Lebanon combat as Jew and Arab again rehearse long-standing hatreds

# Hezbollah vows 'day of wrath,

From Adam Kelliher IN BETRUT

Middle East peace talks, Jews and Arabs yesterday did battle as usual in southern Lebanon, where four people died in talks with Israel. three Israeli soldiers. Fifteen people were wounded, including five Israeli troops.

The three soldiers died side of the road exploded as air raid. On Monday night, they drove past in an army gunmen from a Palestinian vehicle. The incident, northwest of the town of Marjayoun, was the second of its kind in less than ten days. The five injured soldiers were ambushed by Lebanese gunmen in a separate incident only two miles from the Israeli border in the early hours.

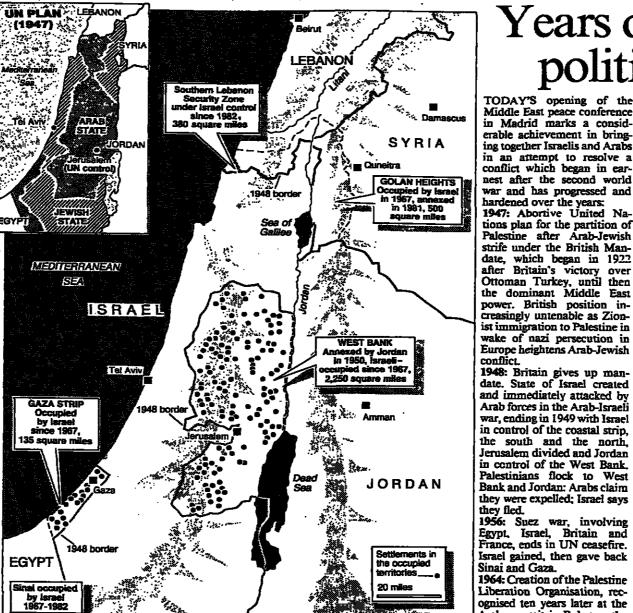
According to an army spokesman, shoulder-fired missiles and anti-tank grenades were fired at the patrol before the Israelis returned fire. In the ensuing battle, which lasted several hours, two gunmen were killed and another was captured. Israel said they belonged to a faction of Islamic Jihad and had intended to attack a civilian target in Israel.

In Beirut yesterday, Sheikh Abbas Musawi, the secretary-general of Hezbollah, said there would be more guerrilla attacks to mark today as a Conor Cruise O'Brien, page 1

ON THE eve of the Madrid "day of Islamic wrath" and to demonstrate his Iranianbacked group's fervent opposition to engaging in any peace

In the run-up to the peace conference, there have been at least six attacks on the Israelis and their militia allies in the when a bomb planted at the past eight days, and one Israeli extremist group opened fire on a busiond of Jewish settlers in the West Bank, killing two and wounding six. The attacks are a clear indication that the Middle East's guns will not be silent while the Arab and Israeli negotiators meet across the negotiating table in

> One Israeli official yesterday laid some of the responsibility for the attacks on the Syrian and Lebanese governments which, he said, wanted to scuttle the Madrid talks. The unidentified official, quoted on the Voice of the South, a radio station run by Israel's proxy militia force, accused Syria of giving the goahead to guerrillas based in valley to attack Israel.



# Years of conflict shape political landscape

Heights annexed by Israel in

1970: King Husain of Jordan

expels the PLO after bitter

street fighting, dubbed "Black

September". PLO finds new

1973: Yom Kippur war breaks

cess followed by Israeli

counter-attack, ending in UN

ceasefire and inconclusive Ge-

neva peace talks. Israel's 1967

makes historic trip to Jeru-

Menachem Begin, with Presi-

dent Carter mediating, ending

treaty of 1979. Second part of Camp David, on Palestinian

sole legitimate represen- 1978: Israeli incursion into

territorial gains unchanged.

base in Lebanon.

in Madrid marks a considerable achievement in bringing together Israelis and Arabs in an attempt to resolve a conflict which began in earwar and has progressed and hardened over the years: 1947: Abortive United Nations plan for the partition of Palestine after Arab-Jewish

strife under the British Man-date, which began in 1922 after Britain's victory over Ottoman Turkey, until then the dominant Middle East power. British position increasingly untenable as Zionist immigration to Palestine in wake of nazi persecution in Europe heightens Arab-Jewish

1948: Britain gives up mandate. State of Israel created and immediately attacked by out when Egypt attacks Israel Arab forces in the Arab-Israeli war, ending in 1949 with Israel in control of the coastal strip, on its day of prayer and fasting. Initial Egyptian sucthe south and the north. Jerusalem divided and Jordan in control of the West Bank, Palestinians flock to West Bank and Jordan: Arabs claim 1977: President Sadat of Egypt they were expelled; Israel says 1956: Suez war, involving

France, ends in UN ceasefire. israel gained, then gave back 1964: Creation of the Palestine in the Egyptian-Israel peace Liberation Organisation, rec-Arab summit in Rabat as the self rule, never implemented.

CHRONOLOGY tative" of the Palestinians. 1982: Israeli invasion of Leba-

PLO wages "armed struggle" against Israel. non in Operation Peace for Galilee, ending in 1985 with 1967: Six-day war waged by PLO expulsion to Tunis, an Egypt, Jordan and Syria against Israeli ends in Israeli Israeli withdrawal, and the establishment of an Israelicontrolled "security zone" in victory, with Israel gaining control of the whole of Jerusouthern Lebanon as a buffer salem and occupying the West Bank (Jordanian), Sinai and the Gaza Strip (Egyptian) as well as the Golan Heights against attacks. 1987: Palestinian

against Israeli occupation, the intifada, begins in the Gaza Strip and swiftly spreads to the (Syrian, with a UN buffer West Bank.
1988: PLO for the first time zone). Further flood of Palestinian refugees. Golan

acknowledges Israel's right to exist and renounces terrorism. although acts of terror by splinter groups continue. 1989: Yitzhak Shamir, Israeli prime minister, formulates Israeli plan for Palestinian autonomy. America seeks to use that as basis for renewed peace process, but plan founders on problem of Palestinian representation and the question of Jerusalem. 1991: In the aftermath of the Gulf war against Iraq, during which Israel suffers Scud attacks but refrains from retaliation, America builds on new regional alignments and salem. Camp David peace changed Soviet role to per-accord negotiated by Sadat and Israeli prime minister and Israel to attend a peace changed Soviet role to perconference in Madrid, with a Palestinian team acceptable to Israel forming part of the

Richard Owen, page 16

PLO is formally excluded.

### **Democracy in Africa**

# Mudslinging blots out issues in Zambia poll

By OUR FOREIGN STAFF

CAMPAIGNING has become dent's family. more intense and dirtier in advance of tomorrow's election in Zambia, its first multiparty poll in 27 years.

back seat as President Kaun- president exhorting his counda, aged 67, and Frederick trymen to "vote for your Multiparty Democracy, his main rival, have engaged in pointed out, there are real increasingly bitter mudshingthe rival party as "a bunch of crooks". To reinforce his own, which draws support point, on Sunday he released a from the unions, businesses list of 25 people, three of them opposition candidates, implicated in drug dealing six years ago. The opposition has and spoon-feeding the masses, retaliated with attacks and and wants to privatise even innuendo aimed at the presi- Zambia's mainstay mining

Prime-time television alter-

nately screens images of the diminutive but imperious Mr Chiluba, immaculate in Ital-Chiluba, of the Movement for tested leadership". But, as the policy differences between Mr Kaunda's United National Independence Party and his and others in urban areas, says it favours a free market economy, is opposed to subsidies

investment. For lack of any alternative, the governing party over the past few years has reluctantly yielded to International Monetary Fund Real issues have taken a ian suits, and the greying and World Bank pressure to liberalise the economy, which early 1970s. Donor nations abruptly cut

sector and attract foreign

off aid when Zambia defaulted payment last month, and any future Lusaka administration will have to work hard to restore confidence among donors. A Zambian economic analyst said: "There are tough decisions that have to be made and little room for

In a nation of eight million people, heavy state intervention in the economy has led to a huge foreign debt and chronic shortages of even such hasics as maize meal. A snap survey in the streets of Lusaka revealed that the Movement for Multiparty Democracy commands a clear majority

At least 300 candidates are contesting the 150 parliamentary seats in a first-pastthe-post race. There are 2.9 million registered voters out of a population of 7.8 million. A presidential candidate needs 51 per cent of the total

Political analysts expect the Movement for Multiparty Democracy to sweep the heavily urbanised Copperbelt and Lusaka areas. But they say a question mark hangs over the traditionally conservative rural vote and the choices women voters will make. Diplomats and political analysts



Kaunda: depicting rivals as bunch of crooks fear possible post-election violence if the United National Independence Party sweeps the board, given the popular-ity of the Movement for

If the Movement for Multiparty Democracy wins, it would be the first change of grenade exploded accidentally ruling party in the history of during the evacuation of for- modern Zambia. President eigners from Zaire via Kaunda declared the country Rwanda, an army spokesman a one-party state in December

Multiparty Democracy which

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### Aids sign scared off looters

From Assex 14TED PRESS IN KINSHASHA

AN AMERICAN conservationist is being honoured by France for saving a research facility from rampaging troops "To protect my animals I

had to protect the laboratory. Delfi Messinger, aged 37. a former US Peace Corps volunteer, said. Her menagerie includes eight Bonabo chimpan zees, a small antelope, two genets, a palm-spotted civet, Gambian rats, 25 monkeys. guinea pigs, snakes, a couple of dozen rabbits, two red forest pigs and some abandoned dogs, cats and a calf. She also feeds two lions at the Kinshasa zoo.

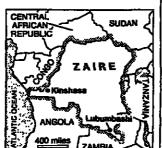
Miss Messinger did not leave with the other foreigners who fled Zaire after soldiers began looting last month. "I have enough food for a month for myself, the staff and our animals," she said.

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Belgian and French troops are evacuating most of the remaining foreigners in the Znirean capital this week because President Mobutu has refused to cede power to opposition leaders supported by the majority of Zaircans. Miss Messinger, who has an

agreement with the Frenchoperated National Institute for Bio-Medical Research that permits her to lodge her animals on its grounds, made her own security arrange-ments. She smeared "Sida", French for Aids, on the compound wall in sheep's blood. But her reputation for handling the vipers and pythons she keeps in the institute's grounds was the main factor in discouraging the looters.

Henri Rethore, the French ambassador, wrote to Miss Messinger saying the measures she took saved the important project from the



### Belgium ignores Mobutu

By SAM KILEY **BELGIUM** has ignored Presi-

dent Mobutu's demand to withdraw troops from Zaire and has sent in an extra 100 soldiers to help with the final exodus of foreigners from Kinshasa, the capital, and ten regional collection points. About 750 Belgian and 150 French troops, supervising the evacuation of expatriates who stayed on after rioting and looting broke out at the end of September, have been ordered

Zaire's opposition movement, the Sacred Union, yes-terday called on the United Nations to send a "buffer force" to maintain order, but rejected a Belgian plan to ask the Organisation of African Unity to intervene.

in Brussels, the Sacred Union said that Belgium, as the former colonial power. had a "moral and historical obligation" to use its influence at the UN to persuade other countries to contribute to a

South Africa has closed its trade mission in Kinshasa and | flown its staff to Johannesburg, diplomatic sources said.

 Brussels: A Belgian para-trooper was killed and six people were injured when a said yesterday. (Reuter)

# **UK and France fail** to heal defence rift

From Ian Murray in Bonn

yesterday to narrow their funberlain saw Hitler just before must have the final say.

difficult it is going to be for a for European defence, largely



Byword for catastrophe: the Chernobyl nuclear plant

### Ukraine to shut down Chernobyl

From Robert Seely IN KIEV

THE Chernobyl power sta- have risen to between 8 and tion, the catalyst behind the 200 billion roubles (up to £20 Ukraine's drive for indepen-dence and scene of the 1986 rate of exchange), depending nuclear disaster whose con- on sources. The latest treatsequences will take decades to ment for the plant is expected assess, is to be shut as soon as to add a further 2.5 billion possible, the Ukraine's par-roubles (£250 million), a bill liament decided yesterday. the republic can simply not The vote to close the re- afford. Social security guaractors, which will take 18 antees and job retraining will months, brings to an end the be offered to the citizens of

life of a nuclear power station Slavutych, a new town itself whose name became a byword built on a radioactive hotspot throughout the world for which was designed to rehouse humanity's fear of nuclear some of the 50,000 evacuees power. Inside Russia, the from the town of Pripyat. Ukraine and Belorussia. Chernobyl epitomised the im- that we live communally on pression of secrecy which lay this planet. Chernobyl is at the heart of the Soviet everybody's problem and we Describing the power plant

as "an object of extreme Shovkoshytny, a deputy. danger" the republic's Chernobyl commission told par- mittee will have begun work liament here that it was devising alternative ways of plant in line with modern cent of the Ukraine's energy safety standards. A fire earlier needs which were met by this month caused a "sharp Chernobyl, the parliament deincrease in social and psycho-cided, although the republic's logical tensions in the popula- other 12 reactors continue tion", according to the report. running.

An appeal to the United Nations is requesting help in plant is aptly timed, coming a decommissioning the reactors month before the Ukraine's whose clean-up costs to date referendum on independence.

BRITAIN and France failed treaty on political union to be restated their entrenched pos-

The two countries, at opp-The lack of progress on osite ends of the argument defining a "European defence over whether the EC should identity" highlighted how assume responsibility one day

ready for signature at the itions. Britain insisted that damental differences about European Community sum- Nato must be in overall the future shape of European mit in Maastricht. The WEU charge, with America and defence during a special West-meets again on November 18 Canada closely involved. ern European Union meeting when Britain wants clear France looked forward to the held in the government guidleines for the future day when Europeans could guesthouse atop the Peters-berg near Bonn, where Cham-insists that the EC summit Germany, which had called Germany, which had called the extra meeting in its capacity as chairman this year of the WEU, tried without any discernible success, to bridge

the gap.

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, and Tom King, the defence secretary, came seek-ing clarity about the WEU's future role but left feeling that the discussions had been "unfocused."

Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister, readily accepted the "primacy" of Nato at present, but said that Euroneans must now start "thinking about their own security in Europe and for Europe. Hans-Dietrich Genscher

the German minister who chaired the meeting, was happy that the need for "a European defence system' was now accepted by all and said that what had to be studied now was the role of the WEU "in a new European security architecture". Herr Genscher, however, like M Dumas, seemed to be unable to further the argument because the Franco-German

intiative had been drawn up between their heads of government without prior con-One diplomatic observer

remarked: "It seemed that since God had spoken on this subject, the archangels could say nothing." Herr Genscher, who gave a bland résumé of the meeting to the press, nevertheless reacted strongly when asked whether there had been any talk of the WEU organising a force to operate out of Nato's area. There had been no such discussions, he said, although other delegations said that the matter had been very much part of the meeting.

According to Mr Hurd discussions centered on the Anglo-Italian proposal for a WEU force to function outside the Nato area and on the Franco-German proposal for a WEU force to function inside the Nato area. "We want to radical reform programme he see a clear understanding of announced on Monday while the cargo of the vessels and the back its plan to turn Yugoimpossible to bring the power accounting for the three per what the links would be also obtaining the emergency belongings of passengers. slavia into an association of pean political union and WEU and Nato," he said. That needed to be settled before we decide on a treaty. "We shall continue to press for all kinds of clarity ... I believe we should reach agreement at Maastricht if we can, but not at any price."

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Playtime victim: a boy, aged 12, lies critically injured in hospital in Osijek, Croatia. He was hit by shrapnel while playing in a park. His playmate was killed

### Hopeful sign for Yeltsin

From Mary Dejevsky IN MOSCOW

BORIS Yeltsin, president of the Russian Federation, yesterday won a long-running battle to have Ruslan Khasbulatov, his close ally, elected chairman of the republic's parliament. The victory, announced yesterday morning after elections the previous evening, offered the first sign that Mr Yeltsin might be able to carry the Russian parliament with him in the powers he is seeking

Svetlana Goryacheva, announced that they were resigning with immediate effect. Both had signed a public denunciation of Mr Yeltsin's leadership earlier in the year but had kept their positions.

### Yugoslav aircraft bombard Vukovar

By Dessa Trevisan in Belgrade and Our Foreign Staff

AS FIGHTING in the area national relief convoys have reached its fiercest in recent been unable to reach the town weeks, Yugoslav fighterbombers yesterday launched three air strikes against the air raids, the planes dropped eastern Croatian town of 550lb and 1,100lb bombs, Vukovar, Croatian radio said, killing at least three people,

federal army said it would allow a fleet carrying relief brick factory in Vinkovci. supplies to dock at the be-Stine Mesic, the federal presi-The two deputy chairmen of | dent, who is a Croat, plans to parliament, Viktor Isaev and | be on one of the ships, General

Raseta said. In Vukovar, where about 15,000 Croats have been holding out against an army siege deputy foreign minister, said for two months, the town's in an interview. hospital is said to be overflowing with wounded. Inter-

because of the fighting.

The radio said that, in the The air raids came as the The aircraft were reported also to have dropped bombs on a

Yesterday, Serbia called for sieged port of Dubrovnik an end to European Commu-General Andrija Raseta, the nity peace talks on Yugoslavia deputy commander of the fifth and rejected threatened sancmilitary region, which in- tions against the republic. On cludes Croatia, said the army Monday the EC set a Novemreserved the right to inspect ber 5 deadline for Serbia to sovereign republics or facunspecified economic and diplomatic sanctions, "We don't think that the talks should be continued." Vladislav Veizovic, the Serbian

Thankless task, page 1 | device.

### Nuclear clock takes turn for better

By NKK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

Soviet Union, developments in North Korea and nuclear discoveries in Iraq, the keepers of the nuclear Doomsday Clock are to move it back from midnight to reflect what they claim is a safer world.

The famous clock, which features on the front cover of the Chicago Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, will retreat from global nuclear war on November 26 when the Power sharing December issue of the magazine is published.

The clock, designed in 1947 by Martyl Langsdorf, wife of proliferation in the nuclear arsenal and tension in Afghanistan, Poland and South Africa heightened concern.

Alan Lonstein, assistan editor of the magazine, said Ayodhya — Vishwanath Prat-yesterday that the board of ap Singh, the former Indian editor of the magazine, said explanations for the optimistic move then. He would not denied that it was a publicity

This will be the fourteenth time that the clock's midnight deadline has been changed. In 1953 the time to all out nuclear war moved to 11.58pm after the United States successfully tested a hydrogen bomb.

when the clock was moved to 11.48pm to reflect the signing and trying to destabilise it of the partial test ban treaty by the United States and the Soviet Union. It was moved to | Sanctions bite its present time, 11.50pm, last year following the end of the Cold War.

The decision to move back the clock has surprised antinuclear campaigners who see little cause for increased opthe Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament in London said although encouraging moves continued to be made by President Gorbachev and President Bush, the number of countries on the threshold of a nuclear capability had risen to between ten and 15 including North Korea. In addition there were seri-

ous concerns over the fate of the Soviet Union's estimated 25,000 nulcear weapons as the union fragmented. This also increased fears of terrorists gaining control of a nuclear

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# **Solidarity** party is in line to govern

As the White

Warsaw - The Polish communist party was level last night with the Solidarity-based Democratic Union as the final composition of the IN A move which appears to ignore potential chaos in the mew, freely elected parliament ignore potential chaos in the mean being worked out (Recer was being worked out (Roger Boyes writes).

Even if the communists draw ahead, President Walesa is expected to ask the Democratic Union to form a coalition government. Yesterday he set out the priorities for the future government: privatisation, the recession, unemployment, security and crime.

Johannesburg - The government is prepared to amend the constitution to give black leaders a say in running South the physicist Alexander Africa pending a multiracial Langsdorf, accelerated to constitution. Gerrit Viljoen. constitution, Gerrit Viljoen. wards nuclear catastrophe minister of constitutional devcuring the 1980s when stale-mate on arms control talks, a could make some changes but fundamental ones would need a referendum of white voters.

### Temple arrest

directors and sponsors, which prime minister, was arrested include distinguished nuclear as he led 500 supporters to scientists, would give their Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh. to protest against an attempt by Hindus to take over the reveal how far back the hands disputed mosque there. The will be moved but said it authorities charged him with "reflected world events" and contravening the terms of a banning order. (Reuter)

### Ciskei unrest

Johannesburg — The military government of the nominally independent Ciskei homeland, under Brigadier-General Oupa Goozo, who seized power last year, has declared a The furthest it has stood state of emergency. It claimed from midnight was in 1963 that the African National Congress was fomenting terrorism amid growing unrest. (-1P)

Washington - One month after the military coup which toppled President Aristide, Haiti is about to run out of fuel, its economy is collapsing and food prices are soaring as timism. Declan McHugh of international sanctions start to bite deep. The United States and Canada are introducing comprehensive trade embargos this week.

### Test of memory

Stockholm - Four months outside a bingo hall with "Joe Smith" engraved on his wrist chain, an amnesia victim has learnt who he is, police said. He is now committing his real. and more complicated, Tunisian name to memory. It is Djelassi Ali Ben Belgasam Ben Kilami. (Reuter)

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was Pickwick Papers, Emi-ly Bronte's first (and only) was Wuthering Heights, Evelyn Waugh's was Decline and Fall and Kingsley Amis's was Lucky Jim. Even so, there are those who dismiss first novels as if they were first drafts, less likely to yield a glimpse of genius than the mature work of established names, And, increasingly, publishers are reluctant to take them on. At a time when hardback fiction hardly sells, first novels are the biggest gamble. There are no guaranteed sales to readers

who loved the last book, reviews cannot always be relied upon (literary editors are often under pressure to cover known names); and most first novels sell fewer than a thousand copies.

What publishers desire most is the instant success epitomised by the industry legends, such as Lord of the

out of a pile of unsolicited manu- creasing sales and reputation with scripts in 1954. Its author, William Golding, went on to win the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1983. Yet the 58 entries for this year's Whitbread First Novel Award show publishers are still prepared to make some brave decisions, while hoping to hit

the literary jackpot.

The Whitbread judges have chosen a shortlist of five first novels, which are in the running for a £2,000 prize; the winner will be announced next Tuesday. If, as Paul Sayer's The Comforts of Madness did in 1988, one of these beats the competition from the other four category awards - biography, children's books, poetry and other novels - it will win the Whithread Book of the Year in January and a further £22,500.

This year's first novel shortlist is notable for its range, from the political to the off-the-wall. Although the judges believe their choices point towards distinguished literary careers, the selection is strong on entertainment: each, in its different way, offers laughs. Surpris- Prize, it was back in print. ingly, this includes the most

harles Dickens's first novel Weekend (Macmillan £13.99), about a female killer who retaliates against obscene phone callers, lechers, rapists and murderers. The four other shortlisted novels are: Elspeth Barker's beautiful, delicate O Caledonia (Hamish Hamilton £14.99), the story of a young girl's misunder-stood adolescence in a big Scottish house: Gordon Burn's Alma Cogan (Secker £13.99), which reinvents the Fifties vocalist as a literate observer of her scrupulously evoked times; Ivor Gould's wild, comic masterpiece A Smoking Dot in the Distance (Sinclair-Stevenson £14.95), descri-bed by one judge as

"like a comic strip by Dickens"; and Joseph O'Connor's tale of Irish punk Eddie Virago, who takes his haircut, his guitar and his hopes of stardom to London in Cowboys and Indians (Sinclair-Stevenson £12.95).

One reason why publishers take on such books is in the hope of "building" authors, in-

each book. There are, after all, plenty of instances of great careers that did not begin with a literary Citizen Kane. George Bernard Shaw once wrote: "I finished my first book [Immaturity] 76 years ago. I offered it to every publisher on the English-speaking earth I had ever heard of. Their refusals were unanimous and it did not get into print until, 50 years later, publishers would publish anything that had my name on it."

Even Shaw admits that Immaturity would not have made his reputation, but the best editors catch potential early. Salman Rushdie's first editor, Liz Calder, remembers publishing Grimus — not only Rushdie's first novel but the first book she had ever taken on. "It was a disaster for both of us. It wasn't well reviewed, and it didn't sell well." But Calder "had never read anything like it. He was clearly very The book was briefly remaindered, and after Rushdie's Midnight's Children won the Booker

controversial, Helen Zahavi's Dirty went on to publish Julian Barnes's Prize in 1985.



Famous first: Dickens's Pickwick Papers, filmed with Cecil Trouncer, James Hayter and Jack MacNaughton

first novel, his acclaimed Metroland - a rite-of-passage book, like most first novels, but an outstanding one - and Anita Brookner's appro-priately named A Start in Life. Even so, Calder, as editorial director of Bloomsbury publishers, admits that "now is not the time to do large numbers of first novels because you

could go bust."

In some instances the triumphant first was also the author's only book, such as Margaret Mitchell's Gone With the Wind (which has sold 10 million copies), or his most significant, such as J.D. Salinger's The Catcher in the Rye and Joseph Heller's Catch 22. Sometimes success comes to unexpected books -Ken Hume's The Bone Per

success by throwing money at commercial novels. The publisher of Sally Beauman's Destiny says "it was designed to be a very commercial book" and in 1987 its £341,000 advance broke records for a first novel. The tactic worked: it sold some 20,000 copies in Britain in hardback and 650,000 in paperback.

ne way publishers reduce the first novel risk is by commissioning from star names (viz Stephen Fry, Ben Elton, Joan Collins). Alternatively, the writer has to have a "track record" - in journalism, for instance. Charles Dickens, for exam-Calder's career did fine too; she instance, which won the Booker Sketches by Boz, in various journals, reached as great an audience as his and publishers Chapman and Hall first novel did.

Some publishers try to engineer approached him. The Posthumous Papers of the Pickwick Club came out in 20 monthly instalments in 1836 and in book form the next year.

Of course, today's first-time authors also have the cinema to help them. The investment in some first novel ventures pays dividends if the film rights are sold, since films boost book sales. Among those fortunate few are Marti Leimbach's Dying Young, which now has Julia Roberts playing its heroine, and Josephine Hart's 1990 debut, Damage, in which the film rights have gone to Louis Malle. Even Dickens enjoyed screen success, albeit well after his death. The Pickwick Papers was turned into a film - as virtually all

MARTHA SWOPE

**OPERA: WEXFORD FESTIVAL** 

### Besieged and bewitched by rare Donizetti

Hilary Finch rediscovers a trio

of unjustifiably neglected works

A been given a single performance somewhere in Europe within the last two decades may well be shunned as shop-soiled by the Wexford International Opera Festival, with its tireless, even obsessive interest in exhumation. Imagine the consternation, then, when it was discovered that this year's L'assedio di Calais, had been given a showing only last pulsing arias of love, reminis-September in Bergamo, the cent of Orfeo.

stature served, thrillingly, to opera that really did not ever

deserve to be overlooked. The 1347 siege of Calais dramatic structures, hurled forward by robust choruses, superbly orchestrated connecting scenes, highly charged moments of recitative, and arias of extraordinary fertility. the chorus of citizens, the clarinet solo which opens Act II, Eleanora's own gasping cabaletta of joy which greets the English reprieve of the execution of the six noble

burghers: all reveal Donizetti at the height of his powers. As the siege itself inspired Donizetti, so his work has inspired Francesca Zambello (of the Earls Court Tosca) to create a staging of strong simplicity. In Alison Chitty's subdued costumes of dull and ragged blues, greys and browns, crowds and individuals interrelate in firm, expressive formation within a single bare landscape. Silken banners furl out from pikes for the exterior of war: a single silken drape and candles sug-

gest an interior. The opera also shows Wexford casting at its best. The tiny Theatre Royal flatters the smallest and youngest of voices, but the Dublin-born mezzo-soprano Alison Browner is something else besides. Germany has heard more of her so far, though she was Covent Garden's Cenerentola last year. Her intelligent and richly expressive Aurelio (the travesty role of the Mayor of Calais's son) is the dominant memory, although this is by no means a single-star opera.

Ann Panagulias's Eleanora. Victor Ledbetter's Mayor Eustachio and Elizabeth Woollett's Isabella of England all made their mark under the sympathetic baton of Italian bel canto expert, Evelino Pido. Here, and throughout the festival, the National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland and, in particular, the accomnlished Wexford Festival Chorus, were potent dramatis personae in their own right.

The Donizetti was a bard act to follow. Gluck was next in line and he had to suffer the represented by an opera with Gluck's La Rencontre impréfor Mozart's harem-escape number three.

Despite a weaker, less fully

rare opera which has developed dramatic structure been given a single (two Arab-bashing comic acts basically frame one central love-interest act), Jamie Hayes's inventive production persuaded us that this opera deserves to be enjoyed far more than as a mere template.

Richard Hickox brought out the fun of the Frenchified comic songs which chatter in between the familiar tinkling pièce de résistance. Donizetti's orchestral exotica and lavished care on the stately.

Paul Austin Kelly's Ali rel-Wexford, though, need feel ished his aria of lost love no great disappointment on which was all but a wellbeing pipped at the post. Not shuffled "Che faro". He ceronly is its production only the tainly had all the notes. too, second this century, but its even if they lacked the changing lights and shades essential reveal that of the opera itself. to this type of writing. Janet L'assedio is one of those truly Williams was a melting Rezia, rare creatures: a neglected and Christopher Hux a resonant servant Osmin, Malcolm Walker, inflicted with the all but superfluous part of the inspired Donizetti to create mad French painter, Vertigo, one of his most propulsive acquitted himself with con-

vincingly Gallic panache. The sense of trompe l'oreille in the work's multifarious musical echoes was matched by the trompe l'oeil of Ruari Murchison's virtuoso set. He The musical ebb and flow of turned a pyramid inside out



Staging of strong simplicity: Edoardo (Kurt Ollman) in L'assèdio di Calais

and on its side and created a series of sand-vellow and burning sky-blue interiors out of its permutations.

💙 uch purely visual flair was matched the following evening by John Lloyd Davies's self-designed production of Der Widerspenstigen Zähmung (or The Taming of the Shrew). This was the swansong of Hermann Goetz who died of tuberculosis at 35. The trouble with the opera is that while the action is comic, the score and the heavily metrical libretto are hardly side-splitting.

Lloyd Davies dominated the proceedings with sets and costumes incarnating Monadded disadvantage of being drian's colourful geometry. The effect, despite some lusty both recognisable echoes of singing from the fine Finnish his own Orfeo and with bla-tant pre-echoes of Mozart's II Katherina and William Parseraglio. The spell of far cher as Petruchio the shrew-Arabia has stolen away the tamer, was somewhat oppreswits of many a composer: sive. Even Oliver von Dohnányi's obviously committed vue (or The Pilgrims of Mecca) baton could not quite make a was the unashamed prototype case for this year's opera

HILARY FINCH

GEORGE C. SCOTT has got the new Broadway season off to a convivial start as star and director of On Borrowed Time (Circle in the Square Theatre). Paul Osborn's 1938 play about a grandfather who keeps Death imprisoned in an apple tree while he contrives a future for his orphaned grandson provides warm-hearted entertainment in Scott's stag-ing. As the pipe-smokin', swearing Gramps, Scott plays all of the variations of his gruff persona. To add mellower tones, he has a fine supporting company which includes Te-

resa Wright as Granny. The New York City Opera keeps reviving Broadway musicals and keeps getting better at it. Last season's A Little Night Music won a brace of theatre awards and was filmed for television. The Frank Loesser's 1957 The Most Happy Fella is just as worthy.

After his success with Guys and Dalls, Loesser aimed at Composing a musical closer to Directed by Carey Perioff, opera, and Arthur Allan Seidelman's vibrant production shows how richly Loesser moved towards aria in such songs as "My Heart is So Full of You", while preserving musical comedy tradition in to take an Italian lesson while

THEATRE: NEW YORK

### Big Apple rosy, bar a few worms

Teeter, the dancer-singer who servants and a puppy. partnered Natalia Makarova The second monology in On Your Toes, leads a dynamic cast, making a wel-come return to the New York Julia Child, a beloved telestage after lecturing in theatre in California

A sort of extended recitative occurs in Bon Appetit!, two musical monologues for which American opera composer Lee Hoiby (Summer and Smoke, The Tempest) has set to music a Ruth Draper classic and a Julia Child company's new production of recipe. Jean Stapleton, famed as Edith Bunker in the television series All in the Family, stars in the show which launches the 25th season of

with affection for the reality of both characters and the wry humour of the material, Stapleton is distractedly amiable throughout. The main character is a socialite trying

rousers such as "Big D". Lara juggling phone calls, children,

The second monologue is a recipe for chocolate cake. Britvision gourmet in America, should imagine Barbara Woodhouse demonstrating recipes to get the tenor of this cheerily eccentric entertainment.

THE new Variety Arts Theatre, created from an old pornography cinema, has just opened with Return to the Forbidden Planet. The overnight critics' response to one of the most expensive musicals in Off-Broadway history was a chorus of jeers, but the new downtown venue for this slickly mounted show gives it a better chance if good wordof-mouth from cult fans is not overthrown by Americans' resistance even to scrambled

Shakespearean dialogue. Two new plays about young adults with stultifying prob-

the Royal Opera House is

nounced for tonight a revival

of Jerome Robbins's After-

Robbins (who insists on reviv-

company with an awkward

hole in its programme; luckily,

the theatre's closure gives it

time to find an alternative.

Chilling choice

lems in the areas of mental illness, sex, drugs and relationships have similarly gloomy scenarios (all is lost) and messages (the environment's to blame), though Timothy Mason's Babylon Gardens is set in Manhattan and Canadian Brad Fraser's Un-identified Human Remains and the True Nature of Love takes place in Edmonton. Attractive and able casts help the modestly accomplished authors, but both shows are

hard work.

Just as depressing in content, but exhibarating for the promise of its 17-year-old writer Carlotta Zimmerman. is Man At His Best. The oneacter is one of four to win firstrate professional productions in the Foundation of Dramatists Guild 1991 Young Playwrights Festival, an event initiated ten years ago by Stephen Sondheim when he was Guild President.

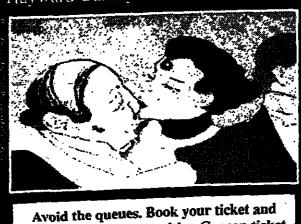
Zimmerman's Man At His Best recalls Kiss of the Spider Woman in its dialogue between two caged convicts, but her variations are startlingly precocious and theatrical, and set New York's new theatrical season in a moderately positive direction.

HOLLY HILL



Warm-hearted entertainment: On Borrowed Time with Nathan Lane (left), George C. Scott and Matthew Porac

### Silver TOULOUSE-LAUTREC lining? The most important exhibition of his work for 30 years Hayward Gallery until 19 January 1992 IN ONE respect, the orchestral pay dispute that has shut



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Liverpool Playhouse has picked up the pieces of its autumn season, which was wrecked by the row between John Osborne and Peter O'Toole that led to the cancellation of Osborne's Déja I'm In its place, the Playhouse is staging Susan Hill's spinechilling novel. The Woman in Black - also running at the cou, the previous chairman, Fortune Theatre in London. who resigned in the summer

BRIEFING Richard Todd, of Dam Busters and Robin Hood fame,

stars in the Liverpool pro-

duction, opening on Novem-

### ber 13. Arias again

good news for the Royal Ballet. The company had an-GENOA's handsome Teauro Carlo Felice, built in 1828 and gutted by British incendiary noon of a Faun. That became bombs in 1943, has finally a problem, however, when been reopened with a produc-tion of Il trovatore. A fouring his own work) was too busy to rehearse it. The re-vival was shelved, leaving the year reconstruction, costing 269 million, was funded by the government, the city and the Genoa-based petrol company Erg. The architect Ignazio Gardella has restored most of the original exterior, but transformed the inside with stateof-the-art computer technology, providing a revolve of WITH admirable speed, the

### four stages. Notable chair

THE London Philharmonic took a vital step towards settling its internal dispute on Sunday when, after a sevenweek impasse, the players elected a new chairman, Simon Channing David Mar-

with four other players on the | orchestral board, was chosen as deputy chairman. The deadlock was broken on the insistence of the musical director, Franz Welser-Most, who wanted to get the or-

Council considers its subsidy

### for next year. Last chance . . .

ENGLISH National Opera's phase. revival of Puccini's La down when it opened in conductor. Both have now changed. Adrian Martin makes a winning Rodolfo and Justin Brown in the pit is full of promise, though the mutilation inflicted on Jean-Claude Auvray's original production by Julia Hollander (responsible for the restaging) remains. Last performance is at the Coliseum on Friday (071-836 3161).

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# Passing into an electric band

ANDY Sheppard moves on again. After his uncompromiseven keel before the Arts ing duets with avant-garde pianist Keith Tippett and the sprawling big band project Soft On The Inside, the West Country saxophonist has entered a promising electric

In Co-Motion also marks a Bohème received the thumbs return to a more intimate scale. With the big band, September, mainly because of Sheppard's resources were a poor tenor and a strident dangerously overstretched; conductor. Both have now here, leading a quintet, he cuts a more authoritative figure. Amid the high-volume compositions, he resists the temptation to fall back on the

glib cliches of jazz-rock. This is is an abrasive and visceral set with few moments of repose, Sheppard cutting jagged lines against the back- by the presence on the two drop provided by the keyboard player Steve Lodder. While there is still a selfindulgent streak in the saxophone solos, it is much less pronounced than in his pre-

live dates, the one incon- scrupulously diced into inter-

vious studio work.

Andy Sheppard: In Co-Motion (Antilles ANCD-8766) Steve Williamson: Rhyme Time (That Fuss Was Us!)

(Verve 511235) Deppa's trumpet. His raw aggression may give him the

nicians, but he lacks clarity and tends to flounder whenever he enters the upper register. Like Sheppard, Steve Williamson has become a symbol of the new British jazz. For his second album. Rhyme Time. he has drawn heavily on the fashionable, back-to-thestreets approach of the "M-

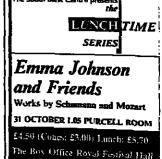
Base" collective of Brooklyn. The connection is underlined vocal tracks of the idiosyncratic singer Cassandra

M-Base - roughly speaking an amalgam of funk, rap and jazz improvisation - sounds intriguing in principle, less so As with the band's recent in reality. As each theme is

locking rhythmic patterns, the overall impression is one of dancers trying to move with

their feet tied together. From a technical point of view, Williamson's version gruous element is Claude stands comparison with the work of the movement's leader, Steve Coleman. He deedge over more polished tech- serves credit for venturing onto this sticky territory, nevertheless the shelf-life of this album is strictly limited.

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# Time for revolution at the BBC

With the BBC Charter soon under review, the government wants evidence of value for money. John Birt, director-general in waiting, explains why the Corporation is shifting to the marketplace

UNDER mounting political pressure, the BBC has begun to chip away at what is widely perceived as its massive bureaucratic edifice. Eager to assure politicians that the Corporation is as efficient as any commercial broadcaster before debate begins on the renewal of its Royal Charter, the BBC's senior management has adopted the government's favoured cure for the National Health Service. Money is now to follow BBC programmes in the same way money is

supposed to follow NHS patients.

Michael Checkland, the BBC's directorgeneral, considers that the market reforms, along with the closure of excess studio capacity to be announced next week, will help squeeze a possible £50 million out of production and overhead costs in the next four years, as the Home Office requires.

"It is a job creation scheme for accountants," says Tony Lennon, co-president of Bectu, the broadcasting union. "Many jobs will be lost in the production side, while the BBC will be forced to hire a far higher proportion of pen-pushing

programme departments (such as

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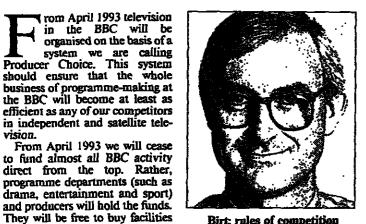
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bureaucrats to run the new costing system." Mr Checkland admitted yesterday that the shake-up will actually create new jobs. John Birt, his deputy who is to succeed him in 1993, was quick to add, however, that there will be a net reduction in staff. Both were adamant that the new system will wipe out the bureaucracy and free more money for programme making.

They deny that the new internal market is the first step towards privatisation. Both Mr Checkland and Mr Birt say the BBC is holding true to its public service remit by preventing BBC resource departments from soliciting business from the commercial channels. "We are asking them to break even, not make a profit," says a glossy pamphlet handed out to BBC department heads yesterday.

But the unions believe the BBC's own resource services are more cost-efficient than anything on offer outside and that the only way the BBC will meet its cost-cutting objective is to axe them, thereby limiting producer choice.

MELINDA WITTSTOCK



Birt: rules of competition

creative people and technicians of talent from outside the BBC.

The role of facility providers will change. They will compete for resource business within the BBC - improving and developing their services, and marketing them to maximise business - rather than working to plans provided by others. Facility providers too will have greater freedom over their own affairs. They will be free to set their prices - their first objective to break-even.

There will be few constraints. One, however, is clear; we want to invest the licence fee in programmes for our viewers and listeners. We want to set the level of BBC resources only in order to service BBC programmes.

True marginal capacity -- capacity still unsold, still available just hours or days before the due date may be sold to outside producers. But capacity in a resource unit should not be set with anything in mind other than competing for BBC production.

We call the system "Producer Choice". But it could as easily - if less ringingly - be called user choice. Because behind Producer Choice is the idea that wherever possible in the BBC we want to simplify and clarify relationships; cut out bureaucracy; devolve power, design the system around customer-supplier relationships,

with the customer as fund-holder. Facility providers are customers too. We will move wherever possible - and we want to see the bare minimum excluded - to give resource providers discretion over their spending decisions - the services they buy.

Programmes and facility providers will have to carry all the costs that independent producers and facility houses outside the BBC also have to bear. Everyone in the BBC will be charged: • a rent for the accommodation

and space they use;
• the cost of the capital they employ - the capital tied up in facilities, for example: • a share of all overheads excluding only the cost of governance, of transmitters, and of

assembling and promoting the network schedules. All users will have an incentive: • to use the minumum of space; only to bid for capital they can

be sure of recovering through the sale of their services;

to see overheads brought down to an effective but competitive

minimum. BBC resource providers will

Saccessful scheduling is the key

produced by TVS, not only

achieved a high andience in its

own right, but it also lifted ITV's Sunday night ratings

right through to the late ITN

news. At the same time Trainer,

the BBC's new series, has

collapsed against Ruth Rendell and has had the effect of

dragging subsequent BBC offer-

ings down.

However, the BBC still has

one option - it could buy the

In the chart (right) BBC viewing figures for October 13 are shown in white, ITV in black

Source: BARB/Arc Media

TVS series.

to the battle for audiences.



Charity begins at home: a scene from the BBC's The Men's Room, the kind of programme which in future may be made outside the BBC

want these fixed costs reduced because they will be under pressure to keep the prices they charge for facilities - their rate cards competitive with outside facilities.

We plan an overhead initiative - involving both customers and suppliers - to reduce overheads to a minimum by April 1993; and by April 1994, we shall devise and institute systems to ensure that every overhead function has a direct price relationship with its customers - with overhead services ideally being paid for item by item, or by voluntary subscription. But for resource providers to be

competitive - for unit costs to be low - managers must also ensure that their plant and facilities are heavily utilised; and that their productivity matches best industry practice for work of quality. As with overheads, we plan a

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London's Burning

productivity initiative so that resource providers - but also programme controllers and the centre - can inform themselves just what best industry practice is. Funding for programmes will be based on best industry practice. As for the utilisation of plant – studios, outside broadcast units

and so on: we have more plant and facilities than we will need in 1993 when 25 per cent of programmes will be made by independents. The Regional and Network Television Directorates plan to announce specific capacity reductions shortly. That surplus capacity will be reduced by April 1993. After that date plant utilisation rates will be high.

We will reduce in-house capacity not to match in-house demand, but to come just below it. This is to ensure a smooth launch for Producer Choice. If surplus capac-

Producer Choice is launched, there would be adverse consequences: money would leave the BBC as some BBC producers purchased outside facilities; and a similar sum would be needed to finance the losses of BBC facility providers unable to sell the facilities that BBC producers had vacated.

The BBC would thus pay twice over, and money would be wasted rather than spent on programmes. Alternatively, there would be sudden dislocation as BBC resource providers quickly reduced their costs to ensure that they met their break-even targets.

All advice is that to ensure Producer Choice works smoothly when it is instituted, we should have a reduced level of capacity, a competitive overhead structure and productive working methods.

Carefully managed actions over the next 16 months will avoid a crisis later. The only other significant con-

straint on choice is the over-ride. In exceptional circumstances - if. for example, our producers flocked away from a particular resource - the Director-General may agree to over-ride Producer Choice and to oblige BBC producers - for a finite period (not exceeding 6 months) - to use the facility in question.

If it is used, it will only be to give senior managers, and the facility in question, time to establish why the resource is not competitive - whether on grounds of quality or price - and time to take action to adjust, so that a break-even target may then be

I do not expect the over-ride to be used. The quality of craft skills

ity were not removed before in the BBC sets the industry standard across the world. Craft skills are as integral a part of the success of BBC programmes as other creative skills.

Provided the price is right the BBC will retain a substantial craft skills base - not because of any central diktat - but because BBC programme makers will find that the BBC facility providers offer unmatched quality. The exact size of our resource base, though, will be determined by the scale of the demand, for BBC craft skills from BBC producers.

The main benefit of Producer Choice is the greater freedom it will give producers to make key decisions about their programmes. But there are other

Producer Choice should invigorate the management of the BBCensuring greater clarity of role and responsibility; and far wider discretion. Producer Choice will bring clear information about the full, total cost of our programmes; and about the precise cost of our records.

e will have unarguable information with which to persuade a sceptical world - and those who will scrutinise us keenly during the Chapter Renewal process - that in a new era of Channel 3 publishercontractors and a growing independent facility sector, the BBC is at least as efficient as any of its competitors. With Producer Choice, the jibes about overmanning will end. We shall have a programme-driven BBC, with a lean and competitive resource base - but a BBC still very much a centre of craft excellence.

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# How do you survive the agony?

magine the scene. My neighbour has just had a new baby and her partner has thrown a party to celebrate. I arrive, fluffy teddy in hand, eager to chuck the little chan under the chin.

always hope have not put their arrived at the Sunday Mirror, where at least half the letters I get are from mea.

Their main worries are sex, bereavement, loneliness and then pop them in the post to a little chan under the chin. little chap under the chin.

But just as I am about to plunge through the fray to deliver my gift, my way is barred by a big, beaming, redfaced man in a blazer.

Brother-in-law," says the Blazer, holding out his hand for a shake. "Let me get you a "Thanks - I must give this

"Great night for a party," he says. "Having a good time?"
"Yes."

"So," he says, "And what do you do for a living?" "I'm a journalist." "Oho! Better watch what I

Should never have said I was journalist. Should have

learnt by now.
"So what do you scribble, then? Women's stuff? Political stuff?" 'I answer people's

I should have never said that. I should have . . . "Aha! The agony aunt! They told me about you!"

His expression is pure victory. "How absolutely "It is. And what do you do?"

You must get an awful lot of letters!" Ÿes, but what do you

'But isn't it terribly depressing? Sighing, I lean against the wall and begin. "Not a bit," I say, looking surreptitiously at my watch. The baby will still be around in an hour, surely. "Get me a drink and let me

People often ask me if I don't get fed up with people beardtelling me their problems. In fact, the question most people armpits. ask me at parties is whether I get fed up with people beardng me at parties telling me their problems. And the answer is that they don't. They do ask me questions though, here are some of

favourites: Surely it's only very stupid people who write in? I have letters from anyone you can think of. Head teachers and children, health workers

and prostitutes, doctors and prisoners, black and white, letters from wealthy people and broke people. The letters come on paper with embossed addresses, on the backs of envelopes, on

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and suicidal on paper that has a cheery Snoopy at the top. green ink from crazy people, there are shaky letters from the elderly and there are men don't express their feeldreadful wonky letters in un-

complete stranger. How can people be sure that their letters aren't opened by secretaries who pass them round the office screaming with

laughter?
The truth is they can't — and it shows what an extraor-dinary amount of trust people have in agony aunts that they will write very intimate things to them - things which are often shocking, libellous, not to mention sometimes illegal.

There's a great deal to be said for writing letters. You can write as long as you like, and moan to your heart's content. And of course one of the reasons people write in is because they know they will get a personal reply back, even if their letter doesn't appear on

'A large proportion of the letters that come in are about sex but most are surprisingly humdrum'

What I want to know is, how the letters are

Agony aunts learn to spot hoaxes. A hoax letter is often written in a childish hand and purports to be from a teacher. One letter I got read: "Dear Virginia, I have a problem. I am a gym mistress and a lesbian. I have no friends. I ing me at parties (as appar- am very lonely because everyently they do to doctors) and one hates me and to make things worse I have smelly

> Smelling more a rat than an armpit, I sent off my standard Reader, Sometimes we have but I thought, why not? I to reassure ourselves that recently had a letter from someone has actually sent a someone who complained letter. Will you please write about his wife being terribly back to confirm that you indeed did send me a letter that you wished answered?" Two days later the phone rang and a furious voice boomed: "I have never sent you a letter in my life!" It was the gym mistress. "It must be one of my pupils. Will you please send it back to me so that I can

And men, do they ever write to When I was agony aunt at 52 men actually wrote in each There are crazy letters in year. And if they did, the questions were invariably about sex. But the idea that

bring the culprit to justice."

Woman, Jane Reed, always used to say, the men wrote in with only three questions: 'How big, how long and how often?' They preceded most of their queries rather sweetly, with the words: 'I hope you don't mind me, a mere male, writing but . . . and then went on to ask how big, how long or how often.

I bet you get some pretty filthy staff, don't you?

Yes, I do, and some pretty sad stuff as well. A large proportion of the letters that come in are about sex but most are surprisingly humdrum. One of the advantages of a problem page as far as sex goes, is that it is far, far easier to write rude than speak rude. I once attended a Marriage

Guidance Council (as it then was) sex workshop (yes, workshop) on a training weekend. A tremendous-

upper-class whitebaired old marriage guid-ance lady in sandals led a discussion on sex for a variety of trainces, from church counsellors to personnel officers. 'Now, let's be frank and discuss sex!' she boomed. 'I'm going to say a word to each of you and you must all describe it in detail.' Luckily Pd aiready got

my glib front up and could talk suavely about Gspots', 'vaginal walls', 'lubri-cating jelly', 'prostate glands', not to mention 'penile thrusting', with ghastly frankness. They had to shut me up.

But one woman who was called on to describe 'testicles (and give other names for them) was beside herself when she had to reveal to us all that she had never seen her husband's 'thing' let alone 'things' because they always turned

This got rather disapproving looks from the counsellors tense and hung-up because she insisted on having the light on all the time when they made love so she could see exactly what he was up to.

The problem page does

attract its fair share of

eccentrics. Quite often I'll get

a letter that appears perfectly

normal on page one, slightly

bizarre on page two, while page three finds the writer

dressed up as a waitress with a

nappy on. Those who write

this kind of letter rarely give

their address and I guess they

get a big thrill from writing

down their fantasies and post-

has been asked: "We're com-

ing to London next week. Can

restaurant where we can take

my mother?" She was even

asked by one woman where

she could "get felt in Manchester". Marje replied: "You can get felt anywhere if you put your mind to it."
But she added a PS giving the

name of a department store

and advising the woman not to walk in saying: "Where can

What is the point of an agony

Agony aunts are seen vari-

ously as eccentrics, busybodies, well-meaning ama-teurs, experts and, I often

The press have a mixed

view of us. Bernard Levin,

wrote of Marje Proops: "I

cannot see how anybody . .

can be in any doubt that she

does an enormous amount,

possibly - of direct, practical

good, at any rate - more than any other single individual in

The writer Julie Burchill.

however, is not so generous.

One of the many gripes she

gave vent to in a piece in the

Sunday Times was that we

dispense a "cartload of cluck

ing, smug chuckling and nudge-nudge advice... There is," she concluded, "just no

excuse for them."
"We will always be a joke",

Marje Proops once wrote. "But no point in whingeing

about it. Who cares, really, as

long as our readers continue to

take us seriously and we are

around when someone writes:

'I'm desperate and I don't

know what to do or where to

turn. Please, please help

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ing them off to me.

My aim is always to make sex seem less rather than more important. I do this because whenever I read a sex-book that is bursting with drawings of couples in extraordinary positions I always feel like a dreadfully dismal Jane.

When I read a book that L have got nothing to Woman magazine I only got a says that the vast majority of do with the page. Marje few letters from men. Barely couples favour the missionary Proops of the Daily Mirror position, that a survey shows women (or men) don't rate sex high as an essential in the you suggest a show and a relationship, then I put the book down feeling like ings or write in for help was Brigitte Bardot. Compared to formed writing from people I completely disproved when I these dreary, dull couples I



the light out when they made Position of trust: people will write things which are often shocking, libellous, not to mention illegal, Virginia Ironside says

### AND BRIEFLY

### **Famous** mistakes

WE ALL do it, and so do celebrities. On Saturday, the fashion mistakes of the famous will be sold in aid of the Terence Higgins Trust, the Aids charity, as part of the Fashion Acts initiative. The Edina Ronay suit Julie Walters said she could not ride her bike in, the mauvey-grey Jean-Paul Gaultier trouser suit, to which, Kim Wilde confesses, "something must have happened between the shop and when I got home", the emerald green Azzedine Alaia jacket that Natasha Richardson says was "an impulse buy, but not me". and the mismatched suit bought for a television appearance by Holly John-son of Frankie Goes To Hollywood, will be among the items on sale for from £10. Admission to the sale. at the Danceworks Studio 5, 16 Balderton Street, London W1, from 10am until 6pm. is a "minimum donation of £1".

### Tops for cooks

TOP cooks will demonstrate their favourite recipes at the BBC Good Food Cooking & Kitchen Show at the National Exhibition Centre, near Birmingham International Airport and railway station, from November 7-10. John Tovey will flambe venison, Josceline Dimbleby will make puddings and Prue Leith some "easy pleasy" meals, while Ray-mond Blanc, proprietor of Le Manoir aux Quat' Saisons, will show "how to prepare the finest ingredients and achieve the best results with them". Admission is £6.50 or £5.50 if booked in advance. Tele-phone 021-780 4133.

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ANGELA WILLANS. Woman's Own: "Loneliness is the chief problem. People say: 'I have no one to love me and I never go out.' As soon as people find out what you do, they say 'you make up all the letters don't you? They

SUE FROST, Woman: TV-am: The main problem is that people don't "How can I get him back? is the question I am most often asked. And socially the thing I am asked most is, what qualifications do you have? As if there were a school that turns out agony aunts ready made with worldly wisdom.

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don't talk enough. The main problem I have socially is being recognised. Wherever I go people stop me and think I have an answer to their problem. I have given up travelling by Tube, because it is so noisy people felt they could confide in me,

Would it were so. "Certainly, you are aware of a great deal of

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Three writers give sharply differing views on today's talks between sworn enemies

# What hope for Middle East peace?

Amos Oz, the Israeli novelist, hails a breakthrough, with the Arabs at last recognising his state's right to exist

srael is entering today into direct negotiations with all its neighbours and with the Palestinian people. The object of these negotiations is to put an end to seventy years of war between Jews and Arabs and to inaugurate a new age. In due course, the peace talks will lead to regional arrangements and a picture of a shared future: frontiers and security, water and trade, energy and pumps, tourism and cultural ties, and perhaps eventually reconciliation and friendship.

It will be a long process. There will be no outburst of brotherly love: there is too much resentment and suspicion on both sides. The walls are not going to come tumbling down overnight, but we can make a start today. For the world order has changed, and so has the shape of the Middle East. Even here, the time has come not least to stop dying and start

The starting positions on the Arab side are very difficult for Israelis, even moderate Israelis like me. The starting positions of Mr Shamir's government are very difficult for Arabs, even moderate Arabs. But we should remember that these are starting

positions for negouations, not for a bloody war. We should not

be alarmed at the distance between the present positions of the two sides. In any case, a nation that has defended itself against the whole Arab world singlehanded five times and won has no reason to fear the negotiating table.

The thing to do at a negotiating table is not to give way to hysterics or sentimentality, but to negotiate patiently, firmly, cunningly on occasion, magnanimously, but above all with breadth of vision. One should be uncompromising about the essentials, but not dig in one's heels over anything we can do without The most important thing for Israel is to have the wisdom to distinguish between what is vital and what we can give up in exchange for concessions on the

tiation", as its Hebrew name Of course when it comes to the crunch, we Israelis will give less than the Arabs want from us, and we shall be given less than we dream of. Neither side can realise all its aspirations and desires, but at least parents on both sides will be able to raise their children instead of burying them. That, in case anyone has forgotten, is what

Arab side. The meaning of "nego-

these talks are all about. How should we start? Perhaps with an initial confidence-building process. Israel might agree to stop settling the occupied territories for the duration of the negotiations; and the Arabs might agree to end the intifada, to renounce terrorism absolutely, and to lift the boycott on Israel at once. America and Europe might undertake to finance the settlement and absorp-

tion of a million Jews in Israel and a million Palestinian refugees outside Israel.

This conference and the subsequent negotiations will drag on, with humdrum bargaining over a strip of land here, a well or two there, inspection arrangements for this and guarantees for that. But even during these boring longeurs, when the lawyers are poring over the small print, let us never forget that behind the petty details stands a historic victory for Zionism: at long last our enemies are confronting us not with tanks and missiles but with documents and sub-clauses.

The people who for a hundred years have been demanding that we disappear, go away, die, are now asking for compromises and concessions. By doing so they acknowledge publicly and openly that Israel is an established fact. This recognition is not easy for them, and it does not please them. It is not surprising that some of them are arriving in Madrid today reluctantly, sullenly, shame-

What about the Israelis? Actually we are entitled to come in smiling. Not ecstatically, but with the justified satisfaction of a

people who have achieved within a hundred years more than their of, with the selfconfidence of a people who firmly believed — even in times when it was very hard indeed to believe - that the day would come when the whole world, including our ene-

mies, would accept the reality of Israel.

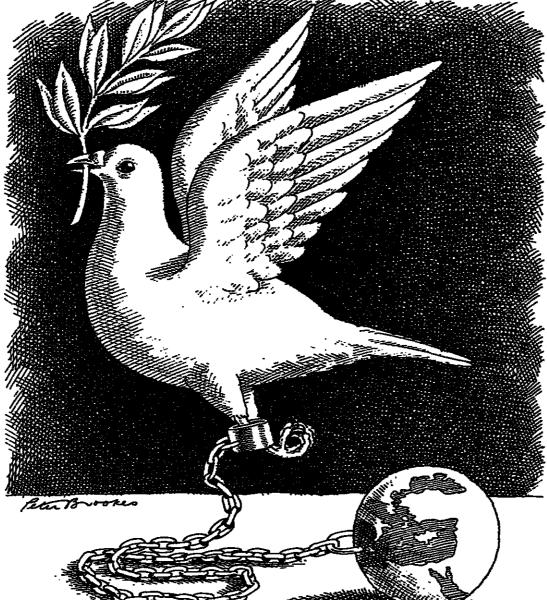
Now that day has come. And from now on, even if there is no honeymoon, there will be a normalisation of the conflict From this moment on, the question is not, as it was for a hundred years or so, who will disappear and when. The question now is who will get what Now must begin the complicated effort to settle the dispute over territory, despite the desperate attempts of madmen and fanatics on both sides to change the conflict into a war of religion or an eternal holy struggle.

existence has been struck off the agenda of history, to be replaced by the tricky but resolvable questions of who is to have what, how we are to live side by side, and what this region will be like in the next century.

So the question mark that has been hanging over Israel's existence from its outset has been removed. The Arabs themselves have been compelled to remove it. That is why we are entitled to say today - soberly but without too much gloom - "Praise be to Him who has allowed us to live to see

The author's collection of essays The Slopes of Lebanon is published by Vintage at £5.99.

C Amos Oz.



# A land soaked in blood

Richard Owen traces the conflict back to the Old Testament

he brutality, passion and thirst for vengeance of the modern Middle East might spring from the pages of the Old Testament. The attack on a West Bank settlers' bus on the eve of the Madrid talks was a crude attempt to upset the peace process just as the participants are inching towards the T-shaped conference table. But the symbolism of the attack reaches deep into the bloodsoaked soil of the Holy Land.

Shiloh, where the attack took place, is a re-creation by zealous long ago crumbled into the rocky hills of what used to be Palestine. A few miles away from the neat suburban Jewish settlement is Nablus, a teeming Arab city which is the heart of militant Palestinian nationalism, but which the Israelis refer to as biblical Shechem.

Since they have to start somewhere, all peace plans assume Israel's right to security within its 1948-67 borders — "Israel proper". The southern flank of this area is secure. In the north, the argument runs, it should be possible to reach an accommodation with Damascus over the Golan Heights, which Israel took in 1967. For all its militancy, Syria wants to regain lost land, as a matter of Arab pride. Israel wants to ensure that Syria can no longer

shell Jewish settlements below the Heights, as it did before 1967. Similarly, in southern Lebanon, Israel wants to be sure that extremist Palestinians or Muslim fanatics who still oppose the existence of Israel cannot cross the Israeli border to kill Jews.

A case can also be made for a settlement in Gaza, which is of little strategic value to Israel, and is almost impossible to rule. But the West Bank of the Jordan is another matter. To Israeli zealots. the West Bank is Judea and heritage of the Jews. The settlements that have sprung up all over the West Bank, and along the 1967 "green line", have a security purpose. Israel, the argument runs, needs a buffer against another Arab assault. But the armed Jewish settlers in Hebron, an hour's drive south of Jerusalem. have no doubt they are also there to re-establish a claim stretching back to the patriarch Abraham. Forget the modern housing of today's Hebron: what is at stake is the Cave of Machpelah, the great mausoleum which tradition says Abraham bought from Ephron the Hittite (Genesis 23, 7). Hebron (el Khalil in Arabic) is holy to Muslims too. The very soil is bound up both with the Bible and

Yitzhak Shamir has a vision of Israel stretching from the Jordan to the Mediterranean. He sees this as an ideal, but many in Likud see it in more practical terms. On the Palestinian side, this vision is matched by the zealots of Hamas, the fundamentalist Muslims who want the same land. Some PLO members too will never rest content with a Palestine that consists only of the West Bank and Gaza. but want the whole of the old Palestine, including Jaffa, Haifa and Jerusalem.

explosive an issue that it is not even on the Madrid agenda. The city is "the eternal Jewish capital", home of King David, site of the Jewish temple destroyed in Roman times; it is also the Muslim "al Quds", the holy place, asso-ciated with Muhammad; it is the heartbeat of Christianity.

The anti-riot tear gas that regularly chokes the ancient alleyways of the Old City of Jerusalem is the symbol of the clashes such passions engender. But the passions of Jerusalem also run high in the disputed places of the West Bank, where every stone, every well, every olive and fig tree, speaks to the soul of Arab and

Conor Cruise O'Brien argues that the Palestinians will still be the losers whatever deal is struck in Madrid

he composition of the Madrid conference represents. in appearance at least, a remarkable recovery for the Palestine Liberation Organisation, after the general discredit it earnt by supporting Iraq during the Gulf war. The Bush administration clearly still regards the involvement of the PLO as essential to the hopes (whatever exactly these may be) for peace.

Heavy pressure must have been applied behind the scenes to induce Mr Shamir's government to sit down in Madrid with a group of Palestinians who are clearly PLO proxies. Having repeatedly vowed never to talk to the PLO. Mr Shamir will now be talking to the PLO's nominees. It is a distinction without a difference.

Israel has clearly given some ground, but it is not anxious to advertise the fact. Mr Shamir's team is composed of his close personal associates. Israel's foreign office is represented by the deputy foreign minister, Benjamin Nethanyahu, an extremely able negotiator who served Israel well in a difficult role as permanent representative at the United Nations. He is sufficient of a "hard liner" to have Mr Shamir's confidence, in a way his superior, David Levy, has not.

Overall, the message to the Americans appears to be that Israel has made a big concession by agreeing to meet a group of Palestinians approved by the PLO. A rush of further concessions can hardly be expected.

Nor, I think, are they expected.
If Israel has made a concession by agreeing to meet pro-PLO Palestinians, then the PLO and its proxies have made an even bigger concession by accepting the conference invitation. That invitation specifies that the separate negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians will begin with "talks on interim self-government arrangements" for Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza. With the exception of the single word "interim", that is an Israeli formula and one already rejected by the Palestinians. Their acceptance of an invitation which includes this formula is a measure of how anxious they are to come in from the cold after their damaging Iraqi adventure.

To persuade the government of Israel and the PLO to sit down together, as they will effectively be victory for American diplomacy. and a sign of the American hegemony in the region after Operation Desert Storm, But even hegemony does not confer omnipotence, and nothing less than that could bring agreement between Israelis and Palestinians over the yielding of territory in return for

Optimists cite some signals to the contrary. A recent poll in Israel showed 69 per cent of Israelis favouring "territory for peace". But when Israelis talk of giving up some territory, they mean, per-haps, Gaza. To Palestinians, the formula means, at the very least, the handing back of all the territory accepted in 1967 (includ-ing east Jerusalem), and the uprooting of all Jewish settlements in the occupied territories. No Israeli government could agree to that and survive. And if, per impossibile, some

future Israeli government were to

agree to some such thing, it would still not win peace in return. This became apparent last week after some Palestinians accepted the invitations to Madrid. For those who have accepted have received death threats - from the two rejectionist" fronts which are at odds with the PLO, and from Islamic fundamentalists such as Islamic Holy War, which is now gaining in strength in the terri-tories at the PLO's expense. There were also symptoms of extreme unease inside the PLO. Only last week the combat headquarters in Sidon of Mr Arafat's Fatah organisation was seized, according to news reports, by "about 300 PLO guerrillas" who objected to Mr Arafat's agreement to the Madrid conference. The guerrillas also took over Ain Hilwe, the largest Palestinian refugee camp in Lebanon. The insurrection was led by an officer, Major Munit Makdal, who is commander of Fatah's own security apparatus in Lebanon. known as Force 17.

These violent reactions have been precipitated by nothing more than the acceptance of an invitation to sit down and talk to Israel. What would Palestinians face who concluded a compromise and peace with Israel?

Many Israelis have long scared that if Israel concludes an agreement conceding territory in return for peace, the very territories conceded will be used as bases for attacks on them. Radical Palestinian responses to the Madrid peace conference tended to confirm

greement between Israelis and Palestinians appears so remote a prospect that one might wonder why the Americans took so much trouble to bring these reluctant interlocuters together. I suspect that, as so often before, the Palestinians are pawns in a game in which they will again be sacrificed. The real American aim, unlike the ostensible one, is an attainable one: peace between Israel and Syria, strengthening and extending Pax Americana in the region. This cannot be achieved unless Mr Shamir is prepared to hand back the Golan Heights to Damascus, which he is extremely "Judea and Samaria", which Mr Shamir cannot concede, may induce him to make the Golan concession which is at least possīble, however unpalatable.

There is a precedent Camp David in 1978. Then Jimmy Carter set the seal on a separate peace between Israel and Egypt. The tacit abandonment of the Palestinians, by both Egypt and America, in concluding that separate peace, was camouflaged at Camp David by the inclusion of a substantively meaningless document on Palestine called "Framework for Peace". No doubt a similar fig-leaf can be found for the separate peace between Syria and Egypt which the American Secretary of State James Baker hopes to conclude before 1996.



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Tou would think that after 30 years of doing something, day in, day out, everything that was ever going to surprise you about the doing of it would already have occurred. There would be no more occupational shocks. Flesh would have long ago raised its last goosebump. Aback was somewhere you would never again be taken.

Last Saturday, I received a letter from a reader. I am delighted to report that I get a fair few such, for it is one of the major perks of this lonely trade that soliloquy will often generate collocuy - you sit in your hack's hole in the eaves, spasmodically tapping your keyboard but never knowing whether anyone is paying any attention, until, from time to time, these sequestered tappings evoke a response: the tappees tap back, much in the manner of the solitarily confined banging Morse teaspoons on the slammer's pipes to cheat their isolation of its prey.

Sometimes they write to concur, sometimes to berate, sometimes to pass on an anecdote or graffito or handy household hint. sometimes, even, to share a memory of Cricklewood; but whatever they offer, they are invariably welcome. All the more so when, like Saturday's, they come from left field: my correspondent wanted me to christen his cat.

I was touched, and, yes, flattered; for the naming of a pet is an intimate business, and it bespoke great trust in whatever

possessed that this bloke was prepared to invite a complete stranger to saddle his moggy with its life's label. Nor this alone, for in order to give me something to work on, he furnished a number of personal details which under normal circumstances would have got no further than his doctor's walls. He also sent photographs of the new cat, the house it walks about in, and both the family and the dog with which it will henceforth share its life. For he is, patently, as wise as he is meticulous: he knows that a cat's name has to fit more than the cat. It is no good calling a cat Bourne if the dog is called Hollingsworth (unless, of course, your furniture looks as though it belongs to the sort of people who do things like that), nor should it be christened Spot if one of the

children has acne. All this I thus took very seriously: indeed, during that afternoon's England-Scotland match I could think of little else, to the point where I actually missed Rob Andrew's drop-goal by having run upstairs to the attic shelves to try to find out whether old U Tin Bum was still alive, because the kitten was a Burmese, and it had suddenly struck me that the great poet's was as terrific a name as you could shake a joss-stick at, provided it had come back on the market and by the time I got

downstairs again, everybody was swapping shirts. Nor were my weekend delib-

peculiar powers he thought I erations all main text: there was a lot of activity going on in the margins. For example, might naming a cat mean getting lumbered with other godfatherly responsibilities? Would I have to supervise its moral welfare, take it to the Ritz every birthday for a slap-up fish-head tea, slip it a postal-order now and again? More selfishly, could this be the start of something big, was there a bob or two to be made out of nomenclature, should I open a place called Just Names in some chic Belgravian backwater, to which the well-heeled fraught would flock to get their onomastic headaches eased? It was as I was idly, that night,

turning such suppositions over that the aforementioned thing struck me which had never struck before. It began innocently enough with my wondering whether my nice catman might actually have been a bit dotty, for, face it, a million readers cannot be exempt from abnormality. And then it was that the neck-hairs sprang, for it came to me that, statistically, some of you must be very weird indeed. There will be those reading these very lines who have plumbed depths of depravity which the imagination cannot even begin to frame. I tap out stuff for ghouls and murderers. I commune with the deranged and the damned. I tell them jokes.

We share lives. It makes you think, Last weekend, the rest of you had an extra hour's kip. All I had was an extra hour's bed.

### **Popeless** case?

THE POPE is upset. While even the EC has a seat at the table in Madrid to debate peace in the Middle East, the Holy See, which has long been pursuing its own peace initiatives in the region, has not been invited.

The omission seems odd. Only last week Pope John-Paul com-missioned a "high-ranking prel-ate" to liaise between Western and Middle Eastern interests, in preparation for the conference. The Vatican declines to name the prelate, but says he is a diplomat who has been serving as a counsellor in a nunciature. The Pope's unofficial foreign minister, the Secretary for Relations with the States, Archbishop Jean-Louis Tauran, had been privately preparing for Vatican involvement with a visit to the Middle East. Cardinal Etchegaray, the president of the pointifical justice and peace commission, is also known to have been keen to see the Vatican

represented at the conference.

The Americans, it is said, were not keen to have the church present, because of the Vatican's less than supportive attitude dur-ing the Gulf war. The Russians also felt the Pope did not have a significant role to play in the peace

After all the church's efforts in the Middle East, the snub is keenly felt, although the Vatican remains sanguine. Like a party-goer not invited to the season's grandest ball, the director of the Holy See's press office, Dr Navarro-Valls, says the Pope did not want to go anyway. "The Holy See did not ask to participate." It did. however, expect to be asked. Instead, says Navaaro-Valls, "the Holy See will express, as it has done up to



and those channels it will consider

 Not all of Europe is yet ready for the free movement of goods across frontiers and borders. The Greek army has just ordered thousands of new tyres for its vehicles. Unfortu-nately Pirelli, which has the contract, recently closed its factory in Patras, following a labour dispute. The Greek military were not amused when it took delivery of hundreds of tons rubber, all stamped with the words: "Made in Turkey". The entire consignment has been sent back.

Exhibiting tolerance

WHAT are some of Britain's most famous contemporary artists doing on a City street corner with their easels, sketching the Mappin & Webb building? One might think there were more interesting city-scapes, but John Ward, Anthony Eyton and others are painting with a purpose: recording the eight listed buildings which will be demolished as part of Lord Pal-

umbo's Mansion House scheme. The paintings will be exhibited at a show entititled "The Heart of the City" in early December at the Mall Galleries, to raise money for the conservation body, SAVE the present, its concern for the Britain's Heritage, which fought

but failed to stop the development and now faces hefty legal costs. The artists have spotted all sorts of details on the buildings which they hadn't noticed before, says Marianne Watson-Smyth of SAVE. But the organisation clearly has no hard feelings. Palumbo is top of the invitation list to

### Life in the fast lane UNLIKELY as it may sound, the

M25 has a fan club which expects to recruit thousands of new members as a result of the opening today of the new bridge at Dartford. A group of businessmen and ho-teliers is hard at work trying to convince us that the M25 presents exciting business opportunities. Peter Rand of the M25 Meetings Group has already taken clients to view the bridge. "We took 100 cli-ents from major companies onto



the bridge last week. We took a coach to the middle of the bridge, generally nosed around and enjoyed the spectacular views."

Other schemes to promote the motorway include the M25 Business Inspiration Awards, for the best business ideas dreamt up

while driving - or crawling around the motorway. The group has also launched a scheme involving free taxi rides around the motorway between its 32 member hotels for businessmen. The M25. after all, must be the most popular motorway in Britain. Why else would so many people choose to spend so much time sitting on it?

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### As others see us

IMAGE-MAKERS are concerned about their own image. Selling sand to the Sahara or beachwear at the north pole - nothing is beyond the wit of the public relations industry. Yet the PR men feel they have done less than a good job in selling themselves. PR, they fear, has become almost a derogatory term, synonymous with manipulation and even deceit.

So the search is on for a new.

more marketable name to market the marketing men. The trade press has recently been full of suggestions. One receiving considerable support is "prop", short for "PR operative", but also eleverly implying the supposedly vital supporting role. Another suggestion, from Chris Twigger of Shaw & Underwood, is an acronym of Person Responsible for Issuing Communications".

• Is Gerald Ratner about to set a legal precedent by suing over the use of his own words? According to a memo from the BBC legal department, the purveyor of trinkets to the masses "now has a firm of city lawyers acting for him, complaining about continuing references to his goods ... as 'crup' Several newspapers have already been caught out. But wasn't it Ratner himself who came up with the description? Indeed, but he did not mean that everything he sold was "total crap" - only a sherry decanter set with six glasses on a silver-plated silver trav

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### NO FUDGE ON EMU

A British signature on the EC treaty on economic and monetary union this December is no foregone conclusion. To be sure, the text of the Dutch presidency's latest draft, with its multi-speed approach to Emu, is a tribute to John Major's tactical flexibility and strategic steadiness over the past year. But the announcement from No 10 yesterday that Britain will not sign an accompanying, non-binding, declaration of support for Emu is merely a sideshow. The Freaty is what matters.

A year ago Britain was told that if it did not sign this treaty, the other II would go ahead and leave it isolated. Since then Mr Major has resisted offers to leave Britain free to decide when it would sign up for monetary union, provided it agreed that a single currency and a European Central Bank was its ultimate goal. By holding out, Mr Major has achieved his two main objectives. He has prevented Britain from being frozen out of the arguments during the "transitional" phase of preparation for Emu, while at the same time keeping Britain's options genuinely open.

The case for remaining part of the increasingly tense discussion on Emu is that Britain will be affected by Emu even if it remains outside. Britain therefore has an unquestionable interest in seeing that Emu takes place on the basis of low inflation and sound public finance. Britain has an equally keen interest in containing the demands of the weaker EC economies for large financial transfers to enable them to meet the rules governing membership. The draft treaty lays down strict criteria on inflation, interest and exchange rates, budgetary deficits and the level of public debt. Spain is already demanding that the "right" to aid to meet these requirements be built into the treaty. Hence German doubts about Emu, and hence the need to ensure that Britain is not billed for helping other countries to achieve an objective it does not share. This is Britain's continuing interest in the debate.

Under the current draft, Britain would sign up to Stage 2 of Emu, the period beginning in 1994 during which EC governments prepare for Emu, but be free not to go forward to Stage 3, full monetary union with a single currency and central bank. The advance achieved by Britain has been to cut

out complicated transitional obligations under Stage 2 which would have left the government in control of little more than

fiscal policy and public spending.

Article 109G of the new draft removes most of these problems. It states that no government can be compelled by the Council of Ministers to proceed to Stage 3 of Emu. Any country whose parliament "does not feel able to approve of the irrevocable fixing of its currency" would be granted exemption from full Emu. Exemption would even free Britain from a series of obligations during Stage 2. There will still be moral suasion to meet Emu targets in monetary and fiscal policies during this "transitional" phase, but sanctions against non-compliers begin only in Stage 3 and apply only to Emu countries. Britain could remain outside all this.

Having won so much, the Dutch presidency argues, Britain should surely not be so churlish as to refuse to put its signature to a harmless (because non-binding) 11-line declaration to be appended to the treaty. Yet what is the point of this declaration? It negates all the above and calls for a "swift transition" to Emu by "all member states", and expresses "their strongest intention" to

participate in Stage 3 "without exemption". Britain's co-operation has been sought by the Dutch and others on the ground that Germany, not Britain, is the declaration's target. A statement of good will signed by all would be some insurance against backsliding by Helmut Kohl, for whom (and for whose countrymen) Emu is increasingly seen as a price Germany would reluctantly pay for a genuine United States of Europe. The greater the likelihood of a treaty on political union falling well short of German ambitions, the more valuable this declaration on economic union is to the Dutch presidency, and to the French.

As the Maastricht deadline nears, the whole European union process is naturally becoming ever more complicated. Mr Major is right to refuse this latest diplomatic fudge. To sign the declaration would not only be cynical, since he has consistently rejected a single currency and central bank. It would crack the Tory party wide open. Mr Major has balanced the odds nicely in the Emu negotiations so far. He must stick to his last.

### **CREATIVE CONFIDENCE**

Swallows enough have been spotted amid the economic indicators since mid-summer. but until now the blue skies of recovery have stubbornly failed to follow. Does yesterday's survey from the CBI finally herald the sunshine? Its professed rise in business optimism is the most positive for 17 years. In July pessimists outnumbered optimists by 26 percentage points. Now the optimists have it, by a majority of 2 percentage points. The relief within the Treasury is palpable.

The government's public response was carefully modulated. Norman Lamont said that the economy was coming out of recession. He has yet to respond to the urgings of his neighbour in Downing Street to proclaim recovery under way. There he is certainly right. Of the firms responding to the CBI, 69 per cent report that they are operating below capacity and 89 per cent that orders, not shortages of people or machines, are holding back output.

Sceptics might go further and question the validity of the plethora of confidence surveys on which ministers are now placing so much reliance. No credence would be given to a weather forecaster who based his predictions on a survey of what people thought the weather would be like. Similarly, it is argued, no confidence should be placed in confidence indicators. What industry thinks will happen to the economy has little to do with what will happen to the economy.

That said, the CBI survey has a record of success in predicting turning points in the economic cycle. It predicted the sharp recovery of 1975. It pointed strongly to a turn for the better in 1981 at a time when 365 economists had just given their now infamous warning of endless gloom in prospect. The CBI was proved right and the massed ranks of Keynesian conventional wisdom wrong. As a result of that experience, confidence indicators have proliferated. The findings of all established surveys are now consistent with the CBI's.

The analogy with weather forecasting does not hold up. Industrialists are not passive victims of economic circumstances, in the way that people are victims of bad weather. They help to create them. Recovery depends on the animal spirits of entrepreneurs, which inform their decisions on output, investment, employment and so on. Once they start to lift, the economy will lift with them. Moreover, the recovery of confidence this time is not mere whim. It is underpinned by developments in the real economy. Interest rates are 4 per cent lower than a year ago. Consumer confidence is rising slowly. Pay is rising faster than prices, gradually adding to purchasing power. The financial position of the company sector is improving.

The signs do not yet suggest a boom in prospect. Growth next year will at best recoup this year's negative growth. It remains true that the government kept interest rates too high for too long and unnecessarily delayed recovery. But taken with the confidence indicators, these current indicators make it unlikely that the recession will continue.

Chancellors used to moan that they were in the position of a driver forced to steer by what he saw in the mirror. Only statistics of what had happened were available, and they frequently misled. Thanks to confidence indicators, that is no longer true. When Mr Lamont delivers his Mansion House speech tomorrow, he will have something better than a long-term weather forecast to go on.

### **MUSIC OF THE MOTORWAY**

Trans-European highways were conceived by the Romans, who built and maintained some 50,000 miles of road for several centuries. Soviet domination of Eastern Europe bequeathed a legacy of potholes. Commerce not warfare is now the driving force behind continental road-building. Two trans-European motorways are planned, east-west and north-south, linking the former communist states and the heartlands of capitalism. What will be their impact on the lives of ordinary Europeans?

The north-south network, first mooted 20 years ago, will stretch from the Baltic coast of Poland through Prague, Vienna and Budapest, with branches to Italy and the Balkans, ending in Turkey. Of the eventual 10,000km some 2,000km have been built since 1977; another 4,000km are in progress. lts future depends on the hexagonal group. "antechamber for the European Community" set up by Italy to give Eastern Europe another focus besides Germany. Since it was launched last year one member of the bexagon, Yugoslavia, has fallen apart. Luck of funds hinders progress everywhere. Hungary is paying for its motorways with

tolis; others may follow. The east-west motorway will connect Berlin with Moscow, new Germany and new Russia, taking in Poland and the republic of Belorussia en route. This highway is intended to grease the German-Russian economic axis, already overloading the decrepit road from Warsaw to Poznan.

These vast routes will alter not only the economies but also the cultures of the countries through which they pass. They would be a powerful force for standardisation. A standard currency, probably the Deutschmark, might be needed to pay for tolls and petrol. Restaurants and hotels along the route would conform to common expectations, with a few big firms controlling most franchises. Driving rules would have to be agreed. Only etiquette, a far more constant expression of nationhood than food or clothes, would resist standardisation.

Those who have not driven in Eastern Europe cannot imagine what these new highways will mean to the lorry-driver, the business traveller and the tourist. To be able to drive at more than an average of 30mph would be a second liberation.

But for how long? Along with the trans-European highway will sooner or later come the trans-European traffic jam. A taste of this may persuade a few thoughtful people to eschew Tarmac and return to Europe's natural highways, more ancient even than those of the Romans. The Danube and its tributaries link the capitals of central Europe better than any motorway. No motorway has yet inspired music, as the Rhine and the Vitava did Schumann and Smetana. As the trans-European in transit pauses for refreshment at a Little Chef somewhere on the Moscow road, what will be the theme of the piped music he hears as he eats his caviareburger? The Volga boatman's song?

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Decision on individual's 'right to die' Finding the right voice for London

From the Chairman of the will think himself justified in killing From Mr Christopher Frazer It might help to remember two From the Chairman of the Voluntary Euthanasia Society

Sir, There is simply no evidence to support the statement by Dame Cicely Saunders (letter, October 19) that a legalised right to die

... can lead to a presumed duty to die". Nor is there evidence for the difficulty which Dame Cicely sees in granting that right without under-mining the claims to care of the Acknowledging the wish of people

to control their lives does not make us less considerate of the needs of others. Dame Cicely would not care less for her patients if the law were changed. In any event the bill which this society has prepared has pro-visions to introduce safeguards, as far as it is practicable to do so, against improper pressure being

Similarly, Mr Colin Harte produces a fine non-sequitur (letter, October 19) by saying that "The proposed legislation, far from acknowledging a right to die... reveals a prejudice that vulnerable people . . . do not deserve the same respect, dignity and proper medical care as other people".

It is extraordinarily difficult for opponents of voluntary enthanasia to see that its proponents do not wish to take anything from anyone, either openly or covertly, certainly not the skilled and loving care which the sick receive in hospices and elsewhere. We wish only to have the right to decide that we do not choose to avail ourselves of it if we believe that the short extra time that would be gained does not justify the indignity (not merely the pain) of incurable illness.

This society would strongly sup-port the proposal in your leading article today for a commission of enquiry into euthanasia: thorough and open discussion of the issue is long overdue. Headed by someone of appropriate stature, such a com-mission could take the debate onto a plane where the intricate questions inherent in the subject are sufficiently clarified for the making of informed decisions.

Yours faithfully, MALCOLM HURWITT, Chairman, The Voluntary Euthanasia Society - Exit. 13 Prince of Wales Terrace, W8. October 28.

From Mr Luke Gormally

Sir. Your second leader today confuses what is at issue in the debate over legalising voluntary euthanasia by speaking of a "decision to die" and a "right to live or die". What is at issue is legalisation doctors kill them, and legalisation, therefore, of the "justification" doc-tors will have for killing patients.

What is the relevant justification for killing that we are invited to accept? It cannot be simply that the patient has asked to be killed, nor that the patient takes a dim view of his or her existence. Doctors of all persuasions would set aside such requests if they believed the patient had continuing prospects of a worthwhile life. It is only if the doctor judges that the patient no longer has a worthwhile life that he

**BA** and Stansted From the Director of Public Affairs,

British Airways

Sir, British Airways has no intention of moving its main UK operating base from Heathrow to Stansted, or anywhere else, contrary to your report (October 29).

We have made it clear to govern.

ment, Parliament and press that the future of British civil aviation will be best served by concentrating infrastructure development in the South-East at Heathrow. This includes the construction of a fifth terminal in which all British Airways operations can be consolidated, instead of being spread across two separate terminals, as they are at present. We remain the only major airline which does not have its own single-terminal facility at its main

It also includes the urgent construction of a rapid-transit rail link between Heathrow and the city centre. We believe further that the additional runway for London and the South-East, currently being considered by the Department of Transport, should be sited at Heath-

Heathrow's position as the pre-ferred London airport for passengers October 29.

Army releases

From Professor Alan Thompson Sir, The issue of civilian employment for ex-service personnel raised by Mr Andrew Freemantle (letter, October 25) deserves more attention by management in industry, com-merce and the public services.

There is little doubt that prejudice against ex-service applicants for jobs exists in all these sectors (although there are honourable exceptions). The stereotypes of Colonel Blimp or the wooden-headed sergeant-major (who no doubt once existed but can rarely be found today) still persist in the minds of some employers.

As an economist who has maintained close links over several decades with both the private and public sectors, I have come across these attitudes so frequently that, in references I write for ex-students who have served for a spell in the armed services, I have to stress the achievements and advantages of modern service life and try to dispel the false conceptions and prejudices. Modern service personnel receive training in management skills and

no less important, in efficiency and loyalty in their appointed tasks. My impression is that management training is provided not only for officers but down to much lower ranks here than in many other countries. This was demonstrated in the Gulf war, where one was struck by the calm, assured, and impressive manner in which young people of all ranks expressed themselves in

television coverage.

Before the Gulf war fades from our memories we should remind ourselves of these facts, and bear in mind the aptitudes and energies that ex-service applicants can bring to civilian employment. Yours faithfully, ALAN THOMPSON.

11 Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh 9.

From the Adjutant General Sir, Andrew Freemantle implies that our policy on releasing officers and soldiers from the army is designed solely to the advantage of the army and at the expense of the individual seeking re-employment. He should rest assured that, as the army goes through the present difficult process

It might help to remember two points about the disbanded GLC.

Sir, I fear that Mr Green's suggestion (letter, October 25) of a London MPs' grand committee will simply not work: many disparate, point-scoring voices are hardly the ideal recipe for strategic vision and executive implementation.
All sides in this debate accept that

not so much by the fact of a patient's request, but by the responsible doctor's judgment that the patient's life is no longer worthwhile. The logic of such a position is that where choice cannot be exercised there can be no objection in principle to killing incompetent patients whose lives are judged "worthless" or It is a fundamental assumption of our system of criminal justice that every human being possesses worth and basic rights simply in virtue of being human. No human being is to be killed intentionally on the ground that he or she lacks a worthwhile London-wide solutions.

To discriminate between human beings in terms of "quality of life" is to abandon a coherent conception of justice. All this ought to be recognisable by anyone with an understanding of the foundations of justice in our society, whether or not they think those foundations have a warrant in religious belief.

So the main burden of justifying

cuthanasiast killing has to be borne

In any case, it is unworthy of you to seek to portray absolutist oppo-sition to euthanasia as a peculiarity of Catholics. That is a propagandist device. Opposition to voluntary euthanasia is a tenet common to Orthodox Jews, Christians and Muslims.

The logic of accommodating "voluntary euthanasia" is now clear from the data provided by the government committee of enquiry (the Remmelink report) in The Netherlands. Of 49,000 deaths directly influenced by clinical management in 1990, 19,675 (40 per cent) were cuthanasia deaths; of these, 13,816 were cases of non-voluntary and involuntary euthanasia. We have no need of a government committee of enquiry of our own.

Yours sincerely, LUKE GORMALLY (Director), The Linacre Centre, 60 Grove End Road, NW8. October 28.

From Mr Rupert Ridge Sir. Dr Stephen Henderson Smith's

letter (October 21) is chilling, not so much because of the conclusion he reaches about learning to die "at the right time" but because of the thinking behind it that he expresses.

If we have "absorbed ... abortion" and need to move on in the field of timely death might the time arise also to "absorb", for example, the killing of babies after birth if we then found some reason? Would it be a welcome sign that "attitudes to life have changed radically" if we recognised that other, older, people may not be qualified to decide "the right time" for themselves and that others may be better qualified to

decide for them? The chipping away at the sanctity of life is frightening, immoral and dangerous. "Attitudes to life" have not improved if Dr Smith's letter remains unchallenged. Yours faithfully.

RUPERT RIDGE Brockley Elm House, Brockley, Blackwell, Bristol, Avon. October 21.

and airlines alike, and its place as the world's pre-eminent international air gateway, did not come about by accident. London has won its position at the top of world air transport through initiative and investment over many years. The benefits to the UK's international trade and the

domestic economy are self-evident. To throw this situation away by prevarication over urgently-needed development and expansion would be a matter of the utmost regret to us: but an occasion for rejoicing among those continental European cities who are actively planning to

usurp our position. Our philosophy is based on the tried and trusted principle of building on existing strengths as the only logical way forward.

Your report seems to follow the hypothesis that should developments such as Terminal 5 and the rail-air link be further delayed or dismissed, British Airways would move elsewhere. We do not contemplate such a course of action. Yours faithfully,

DAVID BURNSIDE, Director of Public Affairs, British Airways, Heathrow Airport (London), Hounslow, Middlesex.

> of reduction, the interests of the individual will be given prime consideration and often an over-

the army continues to be efficiently manned to perform its tasks but overall the army's approach to the release of individual officers and soldiers will be as flexible as possible.

redundancies which limits the flexibility which can be shown to those receiving the redundancy terms. There is no such timetable for the majority who will leave in the normal course of their terms of service without these considerable benefits. Whether or not they re-ceive redundancy payments the procedures will be used intelligently to place individuals in the best possible situation vis-a-vis civilian employ-

Yours etc., DAVID RAMSBOTHAM Ministry of Defence,

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to defeat the incumbent) there was not one public question to either of us about llea (the former Inner London Education Authority) or GLC functions or actions. No

the concept of individual London boroughs will remain, whatever boundary changes and amalgam-ations (like the Joseph Rowntree Foundation's idea of a central London super-borough, which you report today) may occur. So genuinely London-wide problems require a coordinating exhortatory figure with sufficient authority to be able to coax or cajole the boroughs Yours faithfully, to work together to produce PETER BOTTOMLEY,

Mr Green's requested "authentic voice which will be heard with respect in Whitehall" must be heard and heeded by the town halls too. Only a directly-elected London-wide voice fits the bill. And the people's voice would be all the more authoritative if supported by an advisory council (senate) of men and women distinguished in those areas which concern every Londoner most pressing are transport, blight, and London's position as a leading world financial centre.

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER FRAZER, 2 Harcourt Buildings, Temple, EC4. October 25.

From Mr Peter Bottomley, MP for Eltham (Conservative)

Sir, Damian Green echoes my belief that the need is for an authoritative forum for London, not an authority or extra administration.

Members of Parliament do have links with every part of London, with each issue and with the problems and opportunities for the capital. The gains will come where there is agreement across parties and across borough boundaries.

The first step should be the reunification of the boroughs in one association. Labour can help by scrapping the ALA (Association of London Authorities).

Intelligence museum From Mr John Moe

Sir, Mr Nigel West, who suggests the establishment of a museum dealing with intelligence and special operations during the second world war ("Britain's secret history", October 12), may like to know that in August

copies of about half the 10,000 or so movements. messages radioed by Norwegian resistance operators from Norwegian soil. Among them is the one received and deciphered in the UK, reporting the sinking of the Tirpitz,

Waiting for a heart

From Dr Margaret Y. A. Oliver Sir, Years ago my son John, aged 25, died in a road accident in Cam-bridge and was taken to Addenbrooke's Hospital. We were not asked to donate organs and did not think of it until next day, when we were told it was too late. Now I still deeply regret this waste of his fine, healthy body.

He carried a donor card. Perhaps. if these were displayed in cars beside the licence disc, Mrs Tansey's grandson (letter, October 24) might live. Yours truly.

MARGARET Y. A. OLIVER, East Morningside House, Edinburgh 8.

Family reunion From Mrs Florence Somerville

Sir, I was intrigued to see that you used as an illustration to treasures in an empty box" (October 19) a long-forgotten photograph of myself, family and friends gathered round the television in 1954. We were watching one of the first party political broadcasts on our newly-

acquired set. You may be interested to know that the schoolboy on the right of the picture is my son, now director of the Reuter Foundation.

Yours sincerely, F. SOMERVILLE, 15 Dryden Road, Bush Hill Park,

Enfield. Middlesex

riding priority.

Naturally, we have to ensure that

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Whitehall, SW1.

accountability.

The GLC did manage to build homes for 5,000 on 2 goods yard in southeast London; but for five years there was no pub, no church or chapel, no post office and no police post. No humanity. Leave the responsibilities where they are, at least for a period. Add the parliamentary forum, in Westminster or in a separate chamber.

In the 1973 election (when I failed

House of Commons.

From Mr Gerald Isaaman

Sir, As someone aspiring to represent Londoners in the House of Commons, Damian Green appears to suffer from some of the blinkered idealism of his political opponent in Brent East [Ken Livingstone]. If MPs were a true voice for London, then why haven't we heard them, individually or collectively, speaking out vociferously in the past?

In reality, as Mr Green will discover if he is successful at the polls, the majority of them are but lobby fodder, playing follow the leader. Look where that took them when twice in past times Conservative governments have played politics with local government in the metropolis, helping to create the

It is good to see that the future of London is now seriously on the political agenda. What Mr Green must appreciate is that it is part of a wider process involving not only the way that this great city is run for the benefit of those who live and work in it, but also the reform of our inadequate electoral and parliamentary system. It no longer reflects either our needs or desires.

GERALD ISAAMAN (Editor), Hampstead & Highgate Express. Marlborough House, 179-189 Finchley Road, NW3.

before the attacking aircraft and brave crew had returned to their

These messages are available here in English translation and may well be of interest to the proposed new museum in the UK.

My interest is inspired by my own engagement as double agent Mutt of the Mutt and Jeff team that operated 1970 our present king, then Crown Prince Harald, opened Norway's Resistance Museum, housed in Akershus Castle, Oslo. the Mutt and Jeff team that operated from London and Aberdeen between 1941 and 1944, feeding the German Abwehr with deception In its archives this museum has messages regarding Allied troop

Yours faithfully, JOHN MOE, Mikkel Revs vei 65, N 0688 Oslo, Norway. October 24.

Cheque from Libya From Mr Peter Jackson

Sir, The decision by the Police Dependants' Trust to refuse money from Libya (report, October 19) is no doubt well meant, but mistaken. Of course, no amount of money can compensate for the death of WPC Yvonne Fletcher or the harm caused by support of the IRA, but it should nevertheless be accepted as a gesture and a first step towards acknowledge-

ment that Libya's actions were wrong. One of the most difficult things for anyone to say is "sorry" particularly when entrenched stands have been take over time. Which is why so often we, and even more so other cultures where customs and practice differ, resort to codes when taking that embarrassing first step towards admission of guilt.

Emotional talk of "blood money" is unhelpful. There is no evidence that Colonel Gadaffi has demanded or expects anything in return; the money should be accepted for what it clearly is, a first step towards a dialogue which may be more fruitful not only for UK-Libyan relations but also with regard to the world need for a settlement of Middle East conflicts. It was right for Britain to take a

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moral stand over, for example, the Falklands or Kuwait; but positive, forward-looking use of diplomacy might have avoided both.

There is a time for taking moral stances and a time for statesmanship and building bridges. I hope the Police Dependants' Trust will think again and the government take a lead by responding in a mature manner to Libyan overtures. Yours faithfully, PETER JACKSON,

24a Western Avenue Branksome Park, Poole, Dorset.

Mythmatched From Mr Fritz Spiegl

Sir, I once found I Leap Over the Wall, in which Monica Baldwin recounted her escape from an enclosed order of nuns, on a bookshelf labelied "Athletics". That was almost as good, I think, as the library index reference I heard of where Chiang Kai-shek was tracked down under "ISSIMO, General, Chiang Kai-shek". Yours faithfully,

FRITZ SPIEGL 4 Windermere Terrace. Liverpool 8, Merseyside.

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### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 29:The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Pal-

ace this morning.
His Holiness Patriarch II of
Moscow and All the Russias and The Archbishop of Canterbury were received by The Queen. The Right Hon John Major, MP. (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of Her Majesty this

afternoon.
The Earl of Westmorland was received in audience by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Master of the Horse when her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order. The Countess of West-morland was also received by

Her Majesty. The Duke of York, Honorary Commander of the Sea Cadets Corps, attended the TS Royalist Gala Banquet at St James's Palace, London.

Captain Alexander Baillie-Hamilton was in attendance. This afternoon The Princess Royal arrived at RAF Lyncham from Celle, Germany.
Mrs Timothy Holderness-Roddam was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE October 29: Dame Frances
Campbell-Preston has succeeded Miss Jane WalkerOkeover as Lady-in-Waiting to
Queen Elizabeth The Queen

KENSINGTON PALACE October 29: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon visited Christ College, Brecon,

tion, and opened the new Science Building. Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord

Licutenant for Powys (Mr Mervyn Bourdillon). The Hon Mrs Whitehead and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick were in attendance. The Princess Margaret Countess of Snowdon, Patron, Northern Ballet Theatre, was present this evening at a Gala performance of Romeo and Julies at the Royalty Theatre, Portugal Street, London WC2.

The Lady Elizabeth Cav-

endish was in attendance.
Her Royal Highness, Colonelin-Chief, The Royal Highland
Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment), was represented by Colonel Blair Agnew at the funeral of Brigadier Ian Buchanan-Dunlop which was held at the Parish Church, Broughton, Lanarkshire this morning.

KENSINGTON PALACE October 29: The Duke of Gloucester this afternoon attended a Reception given by the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs Carey in honour of His Holiness Patriarch Alexii II of Moscow and All the Russias in the Jerusalem Chamber, Westminster Abbey, London SW1. Major Nicholas Barne was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE October 29: The Duchess of Kent, Patron of Age Concern England, this afternoon opened the new Day Care Centre, Oak Lane, Finchley, London N2. Mrs David Napier was in

De La Torre.

Lieutenant-Colonel M H Burge (Cordom Highlanders London Association).

Mr Dick Bradley (No 2 Commando).

Mr Dick Bradley (No 2 Commando).

Mr John Ura (No 12 and 3
Commando).

Mr Max Green (president. Wassos Rugby Football Club)

with Mr W B Godfrey: Dr Anthony A

Craigen (Cambridge University Rugby

Club). Mr David Frost (The Guardian).

Mr Walter Foster (Anglo-Austrian

Society). Capital Pullip Myers (Army

and Navy Crub).

Mr and Mrs Peter Bowring. Mr and

Mr and Mrs Peter Bowring, Mr and Mrs Anthony Datlas, Mr and Mrs David Dellas, Mr and Mrs H R Moir Beddell, Colonel Bob Montgomery, Lleutenant Colonel C F Brees Av.

Appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Jonathan Frederic Parker

Court, assigned to the Chancery

Sir Alastair Currie to be

The following have been

appointed Deputy Lieutenants for West Yorkshire:

Lord Bellwin; Mr John James

Mr R. Barrington and Miss O. Natting The marriage took place on Saturday, October 26, between

Mr Rupert Barrington, son of Major Laurie Barrington and Mrs John Green, and Miss

Mrs John Green, and Miss Olivia Nutting, daughter of Mr Nicholas Nutting and Mrs Caroline Nutting. The Rev Dennis Ackroyd officiated, assisted by the Rev Harry Cook.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Charles and Kate Underwood, Louise Coghlan. Tessa Scott, Milly Skene and Oliver Custance Baker. Mr Mark Fenwick was best man.

Mark Fenwick was best man. The reception was held at the

The following have been elected

home of the bride.

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Bonnor, Captain A N Cockeroft.
J Dove, Dr R Johannessen. Dr
Last, Mr J Missesson.

of Navigation

Marriage

President of the Kuya School Edinburgh, in succession Kemball ident of the Royal Society of

Professor Charles Kemball.

### 450th anniversary of its founda- amendance Memorial services

Lady Edmund-Davies

A memorial service for Lady Edmund-Davies was held yes-terday at the Church of St John the Baptist, Fladbury, near Pershore, Hereford and Worcester. Canon John Champion officiated, assisted by the Rev Barbara Stanford. Miss Belinda Worlock, granddaughter, read the lesson and the Hon Mrs Alan Large, daughter, read a poem by A. Price Hughes. Canon Champion and Dr F. Worlock, son-in-law, gave ad-

Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart Chant-Sempill

A memorial Mass for Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart Chant-Sempill was celebrated by Father Alastair Russell yes-terday at the Church of the Holy Apostles, Pimlico. Major the Hon lan Chant-Sempill, son, and Mr John Shaw read the lessons. Group Captain William Among others present were: Lady Semplii (widow), Mr and the Hon Mrs David Russell uson-in-law and daughter). Mr and Mrs William Robbins (brother-in-law and sister), Mr and ire Hon Mrs Bela Derauzi-Forbes-Semplii. Mr William Forbes-chib. Walliam Forbes-

### Luncheons

Consular Corps of Loudon The Cuban Ambassador was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Consular Corps of London held yesterday at the Britannia Hotel, Grosvenor Square, Mr William Wilder, president, was

host. Maple Leaf Luncheon Club Mr Robert F. Nixon, Agent General for Ontario, was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Maple Leaf Luncheon Club held yesterday at Over-Seas House, St James's, Mrs Judith M. Steiner. chairman, presided and the Agent General for British Columbia also spoke.

### **Professor Sir** Norman Rowntree

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Professor Sir Norman Andrew Forster Rowntree, BScEng DSc FEng, former President of the Institution of Civil Engineers will be held at Civil Engineers, will be held at St Mary-le-Strand, London, at 11.30 am on Tuesday, November 5, 1991. All colleagues and friends are welcome.

Birthdays today

Dr Yvonne Barton, manager of special projects. British Gas, 35; Sir Charles Brett, former chairman, International Fund for Ireland, 63; Lord Chilver, 65; Sir Robert Clayton, electrical en-gineer, 76, Sir Robert Easton, gineer, 76; Sir Kobert Easton, chairman, Yarrow Shipbuilders, 69: Sir Christopher Foster, economist, 61; Sir Sydney Giffard, diplomat, 65; Viscount Greenwood, 77; Mr J.S. McGregor, former chairman, Honeywell, 64; M Louis Malle, film diseases film director. 59; Mr Guthrie Moir, former controller, educational and religious pro-grammes, Thames Television, 74: Lord Robertson, 79; Sir William Shelton, MP, 62; Licutenant-General Sir Richard Swinburn, 54; Admiral Sir Gordon Tait, 70; Sir David Wilson, ctor, British Museum, 60; Mr Michael Winner, film pro-ducer and director, 56.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will attend a reception given by the National Associ-ation of Leagues of Hospital Friends at I Carlton House Gardens at 6.00.

The Duchess of York will attend a gala evening presenting Lindka Cierach's autumn couture collection at Syon House, Isleworth, at 8.15 in aid of Isleworth, at 8.15 in aid of WRAC, will attend the Director's conference at the Ministry Dr Riel O'Gorman Foundation.

### Today's royal engagements

The Queen will open the new bridge over the River Thames at the Dartford-Thurrock crossing at 11.00.

The Princess Royal, as President of the British Olympic Association, will attend the National Olympic Committee. meeting a luncheon and the annual meeting at the Cafe

Royal at 11,00. Princess Alice Duchess Gloucester, as President of the National Gardens Scheme, will attend the annual meeting at the Commonwealth Institute at

The Duchess of Kent, as Controller Commandant of the holt, Devon, on Saturday, Octo-ber 26, 1991. Mr John Brasted was admitted to membership. Dr Richard Stephenson

### **OBITUARIES**

### SHEIKH MUHAMMAD ABU-SHAKRA

Sheikh Muhammad Abu-Shakra, the Druze spiritual leader, died on October 24 at Badaran in the Shouf mountains of Lebanon aged 81. He was born in Ammadour in the same region in 1910.

SHEIKH Muhammad Abu-Shakra was the most prominent leader of the Druze religion, a faith dating back to the early years of the 11th century with many pre-Is-lamic beliefs, and might be described as the sect's first paramount spiritual chief for centuries. A politically aware figure, he took steps to reform the ancient set ways of the sect and to unify its clergy. He was given the title of Sheikh el-Aql (prince of wisdom).

He was born in the village of Ammadour, a short distance to the south of Al Mukhtara, the seat of power of the Jumblatt family, and received his early education there. His father, Sheikh Dawood Abu-Shakra, was a minor landowner known for his piety, his family having previously produced two sheikh el-aqls. Muhammad also inherited

from his father an involvement in Arab nationalist politics at a time when the region was passing through the turmoil of achieving independence from Ottoman Turkey and, later, from France and Britain. However, though Druze leaders were often at the forefront of the struggle for independence, their participation may have been partly out of their fear of persecution at the hands of orthodox Muslims on grounds of heresy. They hoped that such participation would gain for their secretive sect, which has a number of important difgreater acceptance.



in Damascus for some time as Jumblatt's Progressive Socialthe owner of a bus company ist party. In 1970, after the from the other faiths of Lebabefore 1949, when he was death of the last rival sheikh elected one of the three sheikh el-aql, Sheikh Muhammad el-adls of the Druzes of Leba- was acknowledged to be the Jumblatt, the most powerful Lebanese parliament stipu- 23 he nominated Sheikh ferences with Islamic dogma, political leader of the Druze, lated that henceforth there Bahjat Gaith, aged 50, as the and Sheikh Muhammad sub- would be only one Druze new sheikh el-aql.

the 1.1 million Druze in the Middle East. Following the assassination of Kamal Jumblatt in 1977, the latter's son and successor Walid found it advisable to consult Sheikh Muhammad regularly on important decisions and a partnership developed between the old sage and the playboy prince.

cleric bearing that title. The

act further consolidated

Sheikh Muhammad's fame

and extended his influence

into Syria and Israel, making

him the only universally rec-

ognised sheikh el-aql among

One of the fruits of the new relationship was the erection of an impressive community centre in Beirut for the sect, and the concentration of Druze law courts there. An important reform initiated by Sheikh Muhammad was the modernisation of the Druze judiciary, which had become hereditary. Another was the setting up of an elected council of elders, the Majlis al-Mazhabi. But though he tried to reduce the dogmatic diver-

monogamy were left in place. A tall man with a light complexion, Sheikh Muhammad made an impressive figure with his white beard. He was also a witty speaker and remained accessible to his followers as well as to outsiders. He regularly met clerics non in order to bring peace to

the country. He is survived by his wife, non. The nomination had the supreme spiritual leader of the four sons and two daughters. crucial backing of Kamal community, and an act of the On his death bed on October

### PROFESSOR GEORG **SCHWARZENBERGER**

University, has died aged 83. He was born оп May 20, 1908.

GEORG Schwarzenberger was a major influence in the intellectual milieu of public international law both in this country and beyond, and his legacy includes a series of substantial publications and countries.

From 1938 until his retirement in 1975 he taught international law at University College, London, holding the chair from 1962 onwards. In Master of Laws, within the whole. His teaching activity gences between the sect and Islam, such basic beliefs and practices as reincarnation and

> of International Society". In created a synthesis between including the concept of fresher, and less welcome, in its time. In this book and generally Schwarzenberger and Tübingen. applied an inter-disciplinary He is survived by approach, the attractions of widow, Suse, and one son.

published, subtitled "A Study

Professor Georg Schwarz- which were enhanced as a enberger, emeritus professor of result of his polymath dialinternational law at London ities and powers of clear exposition.

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This "sociological" contribution is to be distinguished from his writings on international law as such, which were orthodox, useful, carefully organised and well researched. A leading example influence will endure. His of such writings is the series of volumes entitled International Law as applied by numbers of former pupils now International Courts and Tribolding office in developing bunals. Whilst his ordinary legal writing was to a certain Schwarzenberger was born in Germany. Holding social ciological side, some lawyers democratic opinions and have tended to ignore his legal being Jewish, it was inevitable writing on the unfounded that he would leave Germany assumption that it was too after Hitler came to power. pervaded by power politics thinking.

Schwarzenberger had great integrity and independence of mind and was tolerant of dissenters. Unfortunately, his this role he not only exerted forthright expression of opin-influence within his own faculty of law but played a caused some to keep their significant role in the dev- distance. Moreover, his scepelopment of the postgraduate ticism, often repeated, of the degree by examination, the more idealistic elements in the theory of international law University of London as a after 1945 seemed at times too inflexible and unqualified. In was accompanied by an the same vein, he not only impressive flow of publica- subjected the work of the tions and the promotion of the International Court of Justice London Institute of World to the ordinary level of criti-Affairs and the Year Book of cism but, on occasion, could World Affairs. produce excortations worthy
In 1941 Power Politics was of Evelyn Waugh, applied produce excoriations worthw with a little too much relish.

Those who got to know him this, his pioneer work, he found a likeable and wholly consistent character who was law and other elements, never dull. His demise involves a loss of yet another power. His view that inter- link with the intellectual world national society is based on of pre-Hitler Europe. Schwarz-'power politics" may now enberger was educated at seem obvious but was much Karls-Gymnasium, Heilbronn, and the universities of Heidelberg, Frankfurt, Berlin

He is survived by his

### PETER WILLES

Peter Willes, OBE, actor and tele- it felt like to be an actor. He was vision producer, died in Gloucester on October 22 aged 78. He was born in London on April 30, 1913.

PETER Willes was frequently described by colleagues as working on a very short fuse. He was, however, a considerate man who commanded great respect from the directors, crew and actors by his side. Arguments during his early years at Associated Rediffusion where he was with light entertainment and drama were legendary. But he was a team leader who cared passionately about programmes and would where necessary accept another's point of

Willes, an only child, was educated at Stowe. His father was a county court judge from a Warwick-shire landed family. After a brief time working in a literary agency Peter Willes made up his mind to become an actor and took himself off to Hollywood. He appeared in two films, The Dawn Patrol (1938) with David Niven, and Idiot's Delight (1939), which even with Clark Gable in the cast was a flop. Years later, working as a television producer, Willes never forgot what Lord Bellwin; Mr John James
Edward Brennan; Mr George
Harrison Cox; Mr David
Fearnley; Mr Ernest Hall; Mr J.
Donald Haywood; Mr Robin
Anthony Smith; Mr Charles
Wilfred David Sutcliffe; Mr
Nicholas Joseph Sykes Walker;
Mr Victor Hugo Watson.

**Anniversaries** 

BIRTHS: John Adams, 2nd president of the USA 1797-

president of the USA 1797-1801. Quincy, Massachusetts, 1735; Angelica Kauffmann, painter, Chur, Switzerland, 1741; Richard Brinsley Sheridan, dramatist and politician, Dublin, 1751; André Marie de Chénier, poet, Istanbul, 1762; Fyodor Dostoyevsky, novelist, Moscow, 1821; Alfred Sisley, Impressionist painter, Paris, 1839; Paul Valèry, poet, Sète, France, 1871; Ezra Pound, poet, Hailey, Idaho, 1885; Gerhard Domagk, biochemist, Nobel

Domagk, biochemist, Nobel laureate 1939, Lagow, Ger-many, 1895. DEATHS: Edmund Cartwright,

inventor of the power loom, Hastings, 1823; John Chubb,

safe maker, London, 1872; Sir

John Abbott, prime minister of Canada 1891-92, Montreal, 1893; Jean Henri Dunant, founder of the International

Red Cross, Heiden, Switzerland. 1910; Sir Charles Tupper, prime minister of Canada 1896, Bexley

minister of Canada 1896, Bexley Heath, 1915; Bonar Law, prime minister 1922-23, London, 1923; Pio Baroja, novelist, Madrid, 1956; Jim Mollison, aviator, 1959; Sir Barnes Wallis, engineer, 1979. The Yeomen of the Guard was founded by Henry VII, 1485.

7th Armoured Divison Officers'

General Sir Thomas Pearson, President of the 7th Armoured

Division Officers' Club, pre-

sided at the annual dinner held last night at the Naval and

Military Club. General Sir Peter

de la Billière was the speaker

Among those present were:

Viscount Montgomery of Alamet Pield Marshal Sir Roband Can General Sir Robert Ford, General E John Mogg and Major-Generals S John Anderson, G Armilage, R Brod J Cowley, R Dixon, M Forrester. Cordon and P Roberts.

The annual meeting of the Mad

Hatters Club took place at the Highbullen Hotel, Chittleham-

Meeting

Mad Hatters Club

**Service dinner** 

encouraging to young actresses such as Anna Massey who appeared in many of his Yorkshire TV product-

When he came home from Hollywood in 1940 he was immediately commissioned into the 12th Lancers and posted to the Middle East. During three years in active service Willes displayed qualities of leadership and courage which were later to innovative drama producer. (He was appointed OBE in 1971 and in 1974 received the Royal Television Society Silver Medal for outstanding achievement). He had been badly wounded in February 1943 when an anti-tank round smashed his armoured car. Taken prisoner, he was repatriated only because of the seriousness of his injuries. Both legs were shattered and for the rest of his life Willes walked with a limp.

In 1947 he became Vic Oliver's road manager. The long hours demanded by Oliver proved an excellent training ground for a career in television. At Associated Rediffusion he was in the habit of telephoning his colleague, the theatre and TV director Joan Kemp-Welch, at 7.30am to discuss a



production. Willes joined Associated Rediffusion on April 1, 1955 as a talent scout/producer.

In light entertainment he produced a show called Hotel Imperial which featured a huge orchestra conducted by the man he had once managed, Vic Oliver. Willes was one of the first producers to link outside broadcasts live to the studio, masterminding what was then a

technically daring extravaganza with actors, singers and dancers linked up to far apart locations. Even so Peter Willes was an ideas man not a technical one. For him performance was all and he relied on the expertise of his crew for everything else.

Contrary to popular belief Willes was not entirely responsible for Associated Rediffusion's police series No Hiding Place. This was in two earlier series, Crimesheet and Murder Bag. Produced by Willes the idea came from Associated Rediffusion's former head of security Glyn (George) Davies, an ex-detective inspector who had contacts in the CID.

In drama Willes brought Harold Pinter. John Osborne, and Joe Orton to the television screen near the start of their careers. After generally bad reviews of The Birthday Party (only James Agate had anything good to say about it), Pinter sent a copy of the play to Peter Willes. He read it and sent it to Joan Kemp-Welch asking for her opinion. Both agreed it would make marvellous television. Willes went ahead - to great critical acclaim. Harold Pinter wrote three plays for Peter Willes, Night School, The Collection and The Lover. At Yorkshire Television, where Willes was head of drama from 1966 to 1978, an early major success was Justice is a Woman, starring Margaret Lockwood. He produced Arthur Miller's play A View from the Bridge, having been told Paramount had the rights and the only way the play could be done for television was a live performance. There was to be no recording. The challenge was taken up.

Another adventurous idea was a version of Sophocles's Electra, acted in Greek for Rediffusion. Having heard of an American production of Electra in Greek, Willes and Joan Kemp-Welch went to Greece to look for a Greek company. Those who told Willes his idea would never work for an English audience were proved wrong.
Willes was witty and acerbic, a

stylish man who wore formal grey suits around the studio. At weekends he would entertain friends, within and without his workforce, at Sunday morning parties in his flat near Marble Arch. For a long time the duties of host were shared by a male companion who, tragically for Peter Willes, committed suicide.

### Horticulture

## Basking in the golden glow of autumn medals

By Alan Toogood, horticulture correspondent

but Sheffield Park Gardens, of Uckfield, East Sussex, have a fiery display which is lighting up the Royal Horticultural Society's late autumn flower show at Westminster. Sheffield Park has staged

a magnificent collection of trees, shrubs and other plants troduced white forms of sevwith brilliant leaf tints and berries, and have deservedly been awarded a gold medal. The colour is provided by mainly North American plants, such as Acer rubrum 'October Glory', one of the best maples for autumn tints, the leaves turning to flame shades.

Burncoose and South Down Nurseries, of Redruth, Corngold medal for autumn colour-They are featuring one of the best dwarf shrubs for autumn tints: Nandina domestica 'Firepower', whose leaves turn flowers to advantage. brilliant red.

Also featuring autumn colour is Starborough Nursery, sias from The Tropical Rain of Edenbridge, Kent, whose Forest, of Leeds, thickly cover group of Leucothoe axillaris driftwood and rocks. A Street, Westminster, is open-Scarletta', with evergreen wil- distinctive species being today from 10.00 am to lowy leaves that turn brilliant shown for the first time is 5.00 pm.

Michael Clayton

A memorial service for Michael Clayton will be held on Monday, November 11, at noon at St James's Church, Piccadilly,

THIS is not a particularly deep red in autumn, and Tillandsia latifolia, and its good year for autumn colour Fothergilla Blue Mist', which dwarf form T. l. minor, which has glaucous foliage, is creat- forms grey star-shaped roing dramatic contrast in

All of the autumn-flowering species of cyclamen have been staged by the Cyclamen Society, of Benenden, Kent. They are showing recently ineral, including C. cilicium and C. graecum, and species se-lected for good leaf markings, such as pewter and green zoned C. graecum album.

The show also features cacti and succulents, orchids and other exotic plants. Nutfield Nurseries, of South Nutfield, Surrey, have been awarded a gold medal for a collection of succulent echeverias and simiwall, have also been awarded a lar plants. The pink and white phalaenopsis and paphioing and flowering trees, shrubs pedilum orchids from a new and other ornamental plants. exhibitor, Stonehurst Nurseries, of Ardingly, West Sussex, are perhaps too spaced out but this shows the shapely

> On the other hand, the air plants or atmospheric tilland-

The Lord Mayor of West-minster was At Home at City Hall yesterday to wives

Hall yesterday to wives of Ambassadors and High

At Home

settes. This rock-dwelling Peruvian thrives in dry arid conditions in the wild.

The RHS competition for ornamental plants also belies the fact that this is not one of the best years for autumn tints, as it is very well supported and contributes much of the colour to the show. The Stephenson R. Clarke cur for trees and shrubs with autumn fruits has been won by R. D. Kleinwort, of Haywards Heath, West Sussex, whose exhibits includes a particularly distinctive cotoneaster with cotal-pink berries names 'Heaselands Coral'.

The National Trust's Winkworth Arboretum, of Godalming, Surrey, is also a Twickenham, Middlescx. leading prizewinner and is featuring trees and shrubs noted for leaf tints, Particularly praiseworthy is a largeleaved birch with pure deep yellow autumn colour: Betula

medwediewii. The show, in the New Horticultural Hall, Greycoat

State visit The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will pay a state visit to Germany in October next year, Buckingham Palace announced yesterday.

### Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.A.B. Bayliss and Miss S.E. Bowes The engagement is announced between Jonathan, eldest son of

Mr G.F.H. Brechin

Mr G.F.H. Brechin
and Miss V. Gray
The engagement is announced
between Graeme, elder son
of Mr and Mrs David
R. C. Brechin, of Colinton,
Edinburgh, and Virginia,
youngest daughter of Mr and
Mrs James T.W. Gray, of
Largiemeanoch, Biggar. Largiemeanoch, Biggar.

Mr A.R. Fitzalan Howard and the Hon J.E. Vernon and the rion J.E. vernon
The engagement is announced
between Alexander, son of Lord
and Lady Michael Fitzalan
Howard, and Joanna, daughter
of Lord Vernon and of Sheila, Lady Vernon,

Captain A.J.R. Haig and Miss P.E.P. Mackechnie The engagement is announced between Alexander James Haig. Army Air Corps, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Haig, of Brockstone House, Worcestershire, and Philippa Ellen, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alistair Mackechnie, of

Mr J.C. Hearn and Miss J.M. Cole The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of the late Major John Hearn, MC, and of Mrs Anthony Tabor MC, and or Mrs Anthony Tabor and stepson of Mr Anthony Tabor, of Chatnole, Dorset, and Johanna, daughter of Mr and Mrs Eric Cole, of Westport,

Connecticut. Mr H.N. Jacobs and Miss C.E. Guinness

The engagement is announced between Hugo Nicholas, younger son of Mr and Mrs David Jacobs, of Chute Forest

Mr N.P. Horsfall and Miss C.R. Heatley The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of

between Jonathan, eldest son of Mr Jeremy and the Hon Mrs Bayliss, of Swallowfield, Berkshire, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Bowes, of Enton, Surrey. Mr M.E. Johnston
and Mrs C. Cave
The engagement is announced
between Mr Michael E.
Johnston, of Flat 7/151
Mortlake High Street, SW14,
and Mrs Clare Cave (née
Stevenson) of 96 Archway
Street, Barnes, SW13.
Mr H.G. Lonie

Mr H.G. Lewis
and Miss N. May
The engagement is announced
between Harry, son of Mr and
Mrs H.G. Lewis, of Sutton
Mawr near Race, South Mawr, near Barry. South Glamorgan, and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.B.H. May, of Hatch House, Liphook, Hampshire.

Captain D.M.F.X. Millie Royal Australian Regiment and Miss M.F.E. Mellish The engagement is announced between Daniel, eldest son of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs David Millie, of Hawthorn. Australia, and Margaret. Australia, and margares, younger daughter of Wing Commander and Mrs P.J. Mellish, of Walton on Thames,

Ѕштеу. Mr I.C. Ruff and Mirs J.A. Casey The engagement is announced between lan, son of Mr and Mrs Ruff, of Charlton Marshall, Dorset, and Judith Casey, of Babraham. Cambridge, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Hall, of Baldwin's Gate.

Mr P.M. Village
and Miss A.H. Wallis
The engagement is announced
between Peter, youngest soa of
the late Mr Malcolm Village and
of Mrs. Maraner Village, of David Jacobs, of Chute Forest
House, Andover, Hampshire,
and Clare Elizabeth, daughter of
Mr and Mrs Robert Guinness,
of Lodge Park, Straffan, County
Kildare.

Mr Malcolm Village and
Curbar, Derbyshire, and Helen,
and the late Mrs Wallis, of
Lonan, Isle of Man.

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1991, to Caroline (he inving)
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Michael.

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26th, at St Paul's Hospital,
Cheltenham. (o Penelope (née Letts) and John. a
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Frances, a sister for Anthony

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DEATHS SARKER - On October 27th, at home in Interingham. October. The funeral will be held all 230 pm on Saturday November 2nd at St Mary's Church, Stteringham, hr. Aysham. Norfolk.

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BUSBY - On October 25th
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aged 74 years, Beloved
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London, w2 6LF, on Friday the
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12.00 moon for the purposes provided for in Section 98 et seq.

A list of the names and
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DATED this 25th day of October 1991; 1991; 1991.

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Prince Louis of Battenberg, son of Prince Alexander of Hesse, became a British subject on entering the Royal Navy in 1868. He served with great distinction, becoming in 1912 First Sea Lord. But the British public could not forgive him his German origin. His younger son, Louis, fared better, being created Earl Mount-batten of Burma in 1947.

RESIGNATION OF PRINCE LOUIS

Prince Louis of Battenberg has resigned his appointment as First Sea Lord. We understand that his successor is Lord Fisher of Kilverstone. The following correspondence has passed between H.S.H. Admiral Prince Louis of Battenberg and the Pirst Lord of the Admiralty.

28th October, 1914. Dear Mr. Churchill, - I have lately been driven to the painful conclusion that at this juncture my birth and parentage have the effect of impairing in some respects my usefulness on the Board of Admiralty. In those circumstances I feel it to be my duty, as a kyal subject of His Majesty, to resign the office of First Sea Lord, hoping thereby to facilitate the task of the administration of the great Service, to which I have devoted my life, and to ease the burden laid on H.M. Ministers. - I am, yours very truly, LOUIS BATTENBERG

29th October, 1914. My dear Prince Louis, - This is no ordinary war, but a struggle between nations for life or death. It raises passions between races of the most terrible kind. It effaces the old landmarks and frontiers of our civilization. I cannot further oppose the wish you have during the last few weeks expressed to me to be released from the burden of responsibility which you have borne thus far with so much bonour and success. The anxieties and toils which them.
The Navy of today, and still more the Navy of tomorrow, bears the imprint of your work. The enormous impending influx of capital ships, the score of 30knot cruisers, the destroyers and submarines unequalled in modern construction which are coming now to

we have had in common, and in which the Board of Admiralty owe so much to your aid. our aic. The first step which secured the timely concentration of the Fleet was

hand, are the results of labours which

taken by you.

I must express publicly my deep indebtedness to you, and the pain I feel at the severance of our three years' official association. In all the circumstances you are right in your decision. The spirit in which you have acted is the same in which Prince Maurice of Battenberg has given his life to our cause, and in which your gallant son is now serving in the Fleet.

I beg you to accept my profound respect and that of our colleagues on the Board. — I remain. Yours very sincerely,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

.We regret it because his action is unquestionably the result of a campaign of suggestion - part of it honest if ill-timed, part of it monstrously unjust against his remaining head of the Navy in present circumstances. This campaign has taken two main directions. He has been openly accused of weakness in allowing the sailor's point of view to be swept into the background by the masterful personality of MR. CHUR-

He has also been attacked, by hardly less open gossip and innuendo, for his German birth, and it is upon this ground that his resignation is based and has been accepted by the Government. Neither charge has received any counte-nance in these columns. But this much at least may be said. The first charge, in so far as it had any justification in fact, was an impeachment, not of PRINCE LOUIS alone, but of his colleagues and immediate preferessors of his colleagues. immediate predecessors, of his political chief, and of the whole deliberate process by which the Board of Ad-miralty has been deprived in recent

years of its proper authority.

Of the second charge it is difficult to our country are in themselves enough to try a man's spirit; and when to them are added the ineradicable difficulties of section of the section of the case of a man who has spent a life-long and most distinguished career in the service of his which you speak, I could not at this adopted country.







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### **NEW RELEASES**

♦ BOYZ N THE HOOD (15): Black en drama from hot-shot director John Singleton, piled high with homilies, but atmospheric. With Larry Fishburn artist ice Cube, Cube Gooding Jr List Cabe, Cube Gooding Jr., Cernons: Haymerket (071-839 1627) Fulhem Road (071-370 2836) Screen of the Green (071-225 3820) Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

◆ DEAD AGAIN (15): An L.A. scissor murder from the Forlies returns to heurit Kenneth Branagh and Emma Thompson, Nonsensical, over-the-top auspense thriller, Branegh directs. Cannons: Putham Road (071-370 2636) Panton Street (071-830 0631) Empire (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-782

DOCTEUR PETIOT (12): French serial killer (Michel Serrault, chilling) scumes round Nazi-occupied Paris. Boldly styled in German Expressionist hu Christian de Chalonge. Everyman (071-435 1525).

♦ FLIRTING (12): Steps to maturity at segregated Aussie boarding schools in 1955. Deligitatul sequel to The Year My Voice Broke from director John Duligan. With Noah Taylor, Thendie Newton. Cannons: Chalses (071-352 5095) Piccadilly (071-437 3581) Totanham Court Road (071-536 6148).

HOMICIDE (15): David Memet's study of a Jawish cop in New York's make pit: sturtled as drama, but a whid picture of urban hell. Starring Joe Mantagna.

Cannon Paraton Street (071-630 0631)
Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366).

MORTAL THOUGHTS (15): Brutal throat stached; wife and we blood on their hands. best mend have blood on their hands, and the police on their tall. Stylish, brooding drams, with Derni Moore, Clenne Headly, Bruce Wills, Director, Alan Ruddph. Odeon West End (0428 \$15574).

AUNT JULIA AND THE SCRIPTWRITER (12): Geuche kid (Keanu Reeves) talis for feisty sunt (Barbers Hershey), while a somp ope (Barbara Hershey), while a scep opera writer (Peter Felk) weaves magic spells.

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E BECKET: Piveting performences from Derek Jacobi and Robert Lindsay in Anough's play on the relationship in Anough's play on the relationship between Henry II and the archbishop. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800), Mon-Sat, 7,30pm, mets Wed, Sat, 3pm. 165mins.

# BLACK SNOW: Robin Builey a subimely tunny Stanlelavsky lig Bulgakov's tart Moscow cornert National (Cornert elos). South Bank, SE1 (071-98) (cottograph, tomore 7.30pm, met tomorew, 2.30pm, 145mins.

A BRIGHT LIGHT SHINING: David Ashton's excellent, first full-length play sbout a lucrative visionery experience a Scottieh village; vivid, turny, wise. Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Mon-Sat, 8pm. 140mins.

Z CAPILUCCO AND THE QUEEN OF Fraser in interesting play showing Bonnie Prince Charlie turned into pudent old fush. impsteed, Swise Cottage Centre, v3 (071-722 9301). Mon-Sat, 8pm, met t, 4pm. 140mins.

☐ GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY: Cheertul trip through Fifties and Secties hits: firmsy plot but no matter. Arts, Great Newport Street, WC2 (071-Arts, Great Newport Street, WC2 (071-836 2132). Mon-Thurs, Sprr., Frf. Sei, 5-45pm and 8-20pm, 120mins.

THE HUNTING OF THE SNARK: or a haystack.
Prince Edward, Old Compton Street,
W1 (071-734 8951). Mon-Sat, Aprn. mats Thurs, Set, 3pm. 150mins.

[] THE INVISIBLE MAN: Jon Finch in meny stage version of H.G. Wells' thiller. Mind-beffling special effects. Theatre Royal Stratford East, Gerry Raffes Square, £15 (081-534 0310). Mon-

TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT: Jeson Donovan sports a golden wig for this

JULIUS CAESAR: Rising British director Steven Pinhott has been very busy this year, directing The Miser at the National, the Earls Court Carmen and more recently Jeson Donovan in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreemcout He new turns his attention to Shekespean making his directoral. Shekespeara, making his directorial debut with the Royal Shakespeare debut with the Royal Shakespeare Company in a new production of Julius Caesar. The cast Includes Robert Stephens (Julius Caesar) and Jonathan Hyde (Marcus Brutus). Opening night. Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Shattord-upon-Avon (0789 295623), Tpm.

PHILHARMONIA: hulen event-gerde composer Luciano Berlo conducts the orchestra in the European premiere of his Continuo, together with his reorchestrated versions of Mebler's Five Early Songs/Six Early Songs (with bardone Thomas Hampson) and Michael Collins).
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800), 7.30pm.

OPERA 80: The company's new season starts at Wolverhampton with atternate performances of Stephen Medcalf's ingenously simple staging of The Magic Fate — premiered last year and now revived by Daniel Doorser — (conducted by Charles Peebles), and Britten's Albert Herring, in a new production directed by Clare Venables (conducted by loce Bolton). After Wolverhampton, the

### CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol 🔷 on release across the country.

Zestful treatment of Mario Varges Lines's multi-layered novel. Director, Jen Amiel. Odeon Haymarket (0426 915353). CITY SLICKERS (12); Over-stretched sentimental comedy, with Billy Crystal and chums solving mid-life crises dust

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4 THE CONSMITMENTS (15): Hardbitten Dublin youngsters form a soul band. Fresh, taxny, and buoyantly played by a largely amateur cast.

Director, Alan Parker.

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Odoons: Kensington (0425 914601) Plazar (071-497 9989) Witheleys (071-732 3332). DEKALOG PARTS 5 AND 6 (18): A

devestating analysis of a senseless murder, plus a voyeur's ead tale — two of the best from Krzysztol Kieslowski's Benoir (171-837 8402) ♦ DOC HOLLYWOOD (12): LA. DOU toctor (Michael J. Fox) becomes we n the sticks. Silly comedy whose che nicky tedes; a Hollywood debut for British director Michael Caton-Jones. Cannons: Baker Street (071-935 9772) Fulham Road (071-370 2536) Haymarke

(071-839 1527) Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Withaleys (071-792 3332). ◆ EDWARD II (18): Riveting rework of Marlowe's play by Derek Jarman; words and Images leap out at the audience, Steven Weddington and Andrew Tiernen as star-crosseu royo-lovers; Tide Swinton as the exasperated Curzon West End (071-439 4805) Gate (071-727 4043).

### THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessme of current theatre in London House full, returns only

Patiacium, Argyl Street, W1 (071-494 5037). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mate Wed. Sat, 2.30pm. 135mins. THE LAST DAYS OF DON JUAN:

Sexual truggery in Sevilie: hendsome bu untocused version. The Pit, Barbican, Sik Street, EC2 (071-636 8891). Tonight, bornorow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 165mins. ☐ THE REVENGERS' COMEDIES:

IJ THE REVENGERS' COMEDIES: Alan Ayckbosm's impressively ambitious, two-part comady centred on the meeting of an incongruous pair (Carl Phlys Jones and Lis Williams). Less fun than one might hope, but worth the time. Strand, Strand, WC2 (071-240 (300). Part 1: Mon, Thurs, 7:30pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, Part 2: Tues, Wed, Fri, 7:30pm, Sat, 8pm, 150mins each. ☐ THE SEAGULL: Superb ensemble

Barblean, Sik Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, iomorrow, 7-30pm, m tomorrow, 2pm. 165mins. LI A SWELL PARTY: Four singers, two planists in Reachle tribute to Cole Porter's debonsir wit and very malodies. Vaudeville, The Strend, WC2 (071-836

9967). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 5.30pm, 140ming, TARTUFFE: Paul Eddington ditt John Sessione cons, Felicity Kendal is bold in a nearly successful Molère. Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue, WC2 (071-839 4401). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm mats Wed, Sat, 3pm. 120mins.

THUNDERBIRDS F.A.B. - THE NEXT GENERATION: The cult stage on currementation show, ned by two actors wearing hip hate

LET HIM HAVE IT (15): An epileptic youngster's road to the hergmen's noces. Sombre, powerful drama about the 1952 Craig/Bentley case. With Chris Eccleston, Paul Reynolds, Tom Courtenay, director, Peter Medials. Odeone: Kensington (0488 814698) Mezzyanian (M28 91589). ine (0426 915883).

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Ambassadors, West Street, London WC2 (071-836 5111), Mon-Fri, 8.30pm, Fri Set, 5.30pm and 8.30pm, 140mins.

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Super-Mere and Deritord. Grand Theetre, Lichfield Street, Wolverhampton (0902 29212), 7,30pm.

DANCE UMBRIELLA: Leurie Booth, Britain's leading contemporary dance improviser, presents the London improviser, presents the London premiere of his latest work, New Text. permete or his passet work, new Year, New Kingdom, inspired by the Egyptian Book of the Dead. With text by Deborah Levy, design by Graham Snow and sound by Pilip Jack, the production is denoed by a company of four, including Booth

FIGARO'S WEDDING: English National Opera in a new production of Mozart's The Marriage of Pigaro, conducted by Opera North's artistic director Paul Darlet, directed by Graham Vick, and in a new translation by Jeremy Sams. The singers include Welsth basttone Bryn-Terlel making his EVO debut in the leading role, Cathryn Pope as Susanna, Joan Rodgers and Anthony Michaels-Moore as the Countees and Court, and Etzabeth McCommack (replacing Diana Montague) as Cherubino.
Collegum, St. Mertin's Lane, London WC2 (071-896 3161), 7pm.

LONDON CITY BALLET; Despite its

City Bellet now regularly has leading dancers from Moscow and Leningrad as denicers from Moscow and Leningrad as nembers or guests. The company visits Budon for a week giving the first performances of its revival of Swerr Lake with original choreography by Vedicinir Bourmeister and music by Tchelhovsky. The casting this week features Jane Sanig and Tracey Newham Avey alternating in the leading role opposite Staniets of Ichaecov and Paul Trussell. Opera House, Water Street, Budon (1236 72190), 1.30pm and 7.30pm.

MOZART 200: The English Chember Orchestra under the batton of Jeffrey Tate performs music from the year 1786: overture to The Merriage of Figure (with mezzo-soprano Cecille Bartolly, Plano Concerto No 25, KSGS (with Andreas ichiff); scene and rondo: Ch'io mi scoro of le ... non temer, emeto bene, KS05; and the "Prague" Symphony, KS04. Barbican, Silk Street, London EC2 (071-638 8991), 7.45pm.

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# Collapsing under pressure

### THEATRE It's Ralph

Comedy

THE characters in Hugh Whitemore's previous stage plays, from the poet Stevie Smith to the Soviet spies in Pack of Lies, from the scientist Alan Turing to Bernard Shaw in The Best of Friends, have all had one thing in common: they actually existed. That may have suggested some lack of imagination on his part, but it helped to give his work discipline, shape and rence. Here, for the first time, he lets his fancy roam and range, often to entertaining effect. Yet there is an inadvertent aptness in the evening's

most spectacular event, the collapse of

much of Carl Toms's country-cottage

set. Whitemore's dramatic structure,

too, is pretty rickety.

The cottage is, as it happens, symbolic in a more intentional way. It is an expensive but unsound blend of 17th-century timber and modern chic and, as such, rather like its owner. He is the deeply inauthentic Andrew Gale, television celebrity, adulterer and bilious grouch. His public image is unclear but presumably he does not spend his time brutally sneering at "pooftas", Italians and other irritants, as he does in private. The impression left by Timothy West, who plays him with hunched shoulders and bunched jowls, is of a huge, pecled sea-turtle, peering out of his shell for prey.

Never mind that the anthor persistently invites our laughter for a blimpishness he simultaneously condemns. West's comic energy is enough to justify such hypocrisies. But then Whitemore introduces his second main character, Jack Shepherd's

Ralph, a chum from the 1950s that the great man has all but forgotten. The function of this intruder is to remind Andrew of Aldermasion marches, late-night conversations about international brotherhood in Soho jazz clubs, and other times when "there was a kind of purity" in the country. The television star is, it seems, not just a witty oaf. He is yet another illustration of that contemporary cliché, sold-out idealism.

Still, this produces some amusing encounters, with West's Andrew deciding that Shepherd's Ralph must be a blackmailer, and eyeing him in the wary, baleful way a battle-scarred reptile might watch some spry, spruce mongoose. The trouble is that Whitemore seems uncertain what else and what more to do with his characters. Some mildly erotic exchanges between Ralph and Andrew's wife are not especially plausible, though the latter's weary frustration is nicely conveyed by Connie Booth. And Andrew's last-reel conversion to a kind of distraught honesty is even

more awkwardly engineered. Suddenly the cynical fibber, who has argued that "lies and delusions make life tolerable", starts unburdening himself. There is, he growls, a "dichotomy, gulf, ravine between the impression I want to create and the feelings I have deep down". He even wants Ralph, who has somewhat improbably been hired to mend the rotting roof, to help fix his psyche, too. But it is hard to believe him, or to accept Whitemore's play and Clifford Williams's production for what they are now earnestly trying to become, a dramatic debate about the clusiveness of truth. It's Raiph, like Andrew's cottage, cannot finally bear the strain.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE



Timothy West as Ralph: a sea-turtle, peering out of his shell for prey

### THEATRE

When It's Over Finborough, Earls Court

A PREVIOUS play by Geraldine Sherman, co-author with Eduardo Machado of this present play, showed how Eva and Kurt behaved when their daughter was growing up as a London schoolgirl in the Fifties. Pretty badly, all things considered: angered by her estrangement from them, jealous of her fondness for a sympathetic teacher (Jill Bennett in her last stage role). Perhaps it is because the author felt all things had not been considered that she has taken the story back to wartime, to show why Kurt abandoned Eva and what

ROCK

Seal

Hammersmith Odeon

SINCE he came to prominence as the

singer and co-writer of Adamski's No

I hit "Killer" in the spring of 1990, Seal has become the first bona fide

rock star of the house generation. His

self-titled debut album, produced with

all the state-of-the-art trimmings by

Trevor Horn, topped the chart last

June and an impressive half-million copies have been sold in Britain alone.

his sones. Seal owes his success so far

to the striking effect of his appear-

ances on television, video, radio, in

the press and on vast billboards. Yet

the alchemy of a live show can still

reveal more about a performer than

all the other media exposures put

together, too often exposing musical

weaknesses and testing a charisma

which may have been artificially

pumped up by hidden persuaders.
For Seal, the effect was quite the

reverse, and his (official) London

debut put real flesh on the bones of his

techno-soul music while underlining

the man's utterly commanding stage presence. In a well-paced and imagi-

natively-lit show that was a model of

invention and concision, he produced

a thrilling array of musical shades.

Apart from the undoubted merit of

persuaded Eva to consign her day-old daughter to a Jewish orphanage, seldom managing to visit ber.

Kurt (Vincenzo Nicoli) makes a poor showing a complacent, ex-Viennese street trader, offering flashy smiles and fake silk ties to anything in a skirt. Eva (Esther Freud), a refugee from Berlin, appeals more calculatedly to audience sympathy by somehow managing to be victimised by everyone she meets. A chilling Kensington lady dismisses her for singing Schubert lullabies to the children; ARP wardens chivy her, a lascivious schoolboy tries to rape her - and he with a father in the war cabinet. A cold-hearted IRA girl (Anna Niland) attempts to abort Eva's child squeamish patrons may wish to study other parts of Andrew Hunt's set during this scene - and an equally

At 28, the London-bred singer of

Brazilian-Nigerian parentage is young

enough to have absorbed the rave

culture of acid house but old enough

to be aware of the rock and soul

traditions that preceded it. He has

simply helped himself to the best of all

available worlds, a fact reflected by

the powerful yet flexible make-up of

his group: a guitarist from the Prince

school of haute couture, a keyboard

boffin, a bass player in skateboarder-

from-heli chic and a drummer who

sounded alternately like a drum

Seal, in his black leather trousers,

machine and a powerhouse rocker.

billowing white shirt and stylishly

arranged dreadlocks, exuded quiet

confidence and a sex appeal delicately

balanced between the macho and the

vulnerable. So too was his singing:

soulful with a gruff edge. He put across

these facets of his singing personality

on a tremendous version of Jimi

Hendrix's "Hey Joe" where he used

his two distinct voices as either side of

the conversation which takes place

within the song, a trick which not even

Many of his own songs were either rearranged or developed from their

recorded versions, from the simple

voice and acoustic guitar version of

"Deep Water" to an extended "Whirl-

DAVID SINCLAIR

pool" which developed into a house-

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cold Zionist girl (Niland again) seizes the sexually inhibited guard - it adds the child so that it can grow into a soldier for the new Palestine.

Eva is a stricken refugee, bereft of family and home, but since the authors show only her frustrated attempts to clutch a straw of happiness she comes across as improbably piteous and naive. Clearly she has some go-getting spark within her, because, though feebly allowing the Zionist to stop her visiting the orphanage, she picks up lonely soldiers in the blackout. The authors show nothing of the moral scruples that may have surfaced in her mind: one moment she is loyal to the absent Kurt, the next moment not.

The approach to Kurt's history is similarly disjointed: running errands for another IRA zealot (Colm Lagan), transported to Australia, chatting up

up to nothing in particular. The play consists of little more than a sequence of brief episodes, as if Sherman wished to stage fragments of a family history but shrank from dramatising

Fleeting moments in Annie Tyson's ingenuous production make their mark: Freud's tip of the head is exht Deutsch, and Hunt cleverly packs into the small stage a bedroom, pub, playground, shelter, street and church against a City skyline complete with searchlight beam. Logically, further prequels to this prequel could be set in Nazi Berlin, Franz Josef's Vienna. Bismark's Prussia und so weiter, but preferably with some dramatic purpose introduced.

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### DANCE

**Mysteries** Bloomsbury

ANY composer who takes on the himself no favours. Luckity for Ian Dearden, all that was required of him in Mysteries was to provide a lively rhythmic accompaniment for Kim Brandstrup's latest ballet. Judging by Brandstrup's Arc Dance Company's performance in its London premiere last week. Dearden has fulfilled his part ably if unmemorably.

Bluebeard in this version is a tall morose gentleman (Michael Fulwell) who sits in a gloomy room playing with his sword and letting the servants get out of hand. He shows so little enthusiasm for his wives that you might wonder why he bothers to marry at least three of them. Luckily the first two quickly collapse after looking inside the large door that dominates the scene, and the bullying servants carry them off. We then discover that the woman in a green suit who has already appeared twice in front of the door is wife No 3 (Catherine Burge). She carries a violin

and pretends to play it can she possibly be Old Nick in disguise? Now it is Bluebeard who is tempted to visit the secrets behind the door, and the

wife who stops him. They duel, she using her violin bow instead of a sword. The poor man stands no chance and ends the ballet on the 🦸 floor, deprived (with obvious symbolism) of his weapon.

Brandstrup's choreographic method is to take little passages of Bluebeard story after Bartók is doing movement which have a dramatic purport, and repeat them over and over to make formal patterns. It provides a faintly baroque effect. His limitation, like that of too many choreographers today, is a highly limited vocabulary of movement. A few favoured steps keep recurring in different contexts, for instance a distinctively odd jump for Bluebeard's retainers which we have already seen earlier in this double bill serving for a Jewish wedding in The Dybbuk. It makes for a rather superficial result, all decoration and no heart.

As always, Brandstrup's presentation is very smooth. It is put over with a deft assurance which, combined with the bustling insistence of the choreography and moments of brooding portentousness, make the work appear purposeful. The costumes by Fatini Dimou are handsome, but Tina MacHugh's lighting for this and The Dybbuk did draw attention to a general air of gloom over the evening as a whole.

JOHN PERCIVAL

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### WORD-WATCHING

Auswers from page 22 YARPHA

(b) A peat-bog, peat combined with clay or sand, the sort of hole you should avoid in the darkest Highlands, from the Old Norse jorfi gravel; Sir Walter Scott: "The poor yarpha, as the benighted creatures here call their peat-bogs." CRUBEEN

(a) A (cooked) pig's trotter, or the foot of any animal whether cooked or raw, from the Irish craibia, diminutive of craib a claw; James Joyce, Ulysses: "Florence MacCabe takes a crubeen and a bottle of double X for supper every Saturday." PHELLEM

(c) Cork, the cork tree or its spongy wood, in botanical usage, from the Greek phellor cork: "The type of phellem used for bottle cork consists of thin-walled, air-filled cells." SERPIGO (a) A general term for creeping or spreading skin diseases, poxes, itches, and all such scratchy naisances, from the Latin serper to creep:

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9.05 Kitroy. Robert Kitroy-Sitt chairs a topical discussion
9.05 Hot Chefs. Paul Gayler prepares ricotta and spinach gnocchis
10.00 News, regional news and weather 10.05 Playdays (r) 10.25 The
Family-Neess. Cartoon adventures (r)
10.35 Happy Memories. Nostalgia show in which Cliff Michelmore and
Wendy Gibson are able to rekindle viewers' memories with music
and archive film.

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11.00 News, regional news and weather 11.05 No Kidding. Mike Smith and Kate Copstick host another round of the family quiz game (s) 11.30 People Today 12.00 News, regional news and weather 12.20 Pebble MRL The winners of the Radio Times Comedy Awards are announced 12.55 Regional News and weather 1.00 One O'Clock News and weather

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1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) 1.50 Four Square. Knock-out quiz (s)
2.15 Hawaii Five-O: Full Fathom Five. The long-running American
police series. McGarrett (Jack Lord) balts a cruise ship murderer (r)
3.05 Primerime. David Jacobs and Sheta McClennon return for a new series aimed at the mature viewer, and introduce a new feature Saxy at Sixty

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3.50 Dooby's Duck Truck. Carloon series (r) 3.55 Orville and Cuddles. Carloon 4.00 F.L.L.P. Comedy series starting Trevor Laird 4.20 The Chipmunks. Carloon 4.35 Hartbeat. Tony Hart and Gabrielle Bradshaw with innovative ideas on art 5.00 Newsround 5.10 Byker Grove. Third episode of the 18-part children's drama set in a Newcastle youth club. (Ceefax)

5.35 Neighbours (f). (Ceefax) (s). Northern Ireland: Inside Lister 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Andrew Hervey, Weather 5.36 Regional news magazines. Northern Ireland: Neighbours (f). (Ceefax) 7.00 Wogan. Terry talks to former hostage Jackie Mann and his wife

7.00 Wogan. Terry talks to former hostage Jackle Mann and his wife Sunnie, and meets master art forger Eric Hebborn (s)
7.30 Tomorrow's World. In this week's edition of the science magazine programme, Karina Kelly reports on the endangered giant green turdes in northern Australia. Judith Harm travels to Hampshire where she discovers a natural form of pest control. (Ceefax) (s). Northern Ireland: Spotlight
8.00 Specials. Realistic drama series about the private and public fives of five pertiting police controls to the first series.

of five part-time police constables in the Michands. (Ceefax) (s) 8.50 Points of View presented by Anne Robinson (s)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax). Regional news



Arresting the drug-barons: a DEA agent with his catch (9.30pm)

• CHOICE: A six-pert fly-on-the-wall documentary series on the work of the US Drug Enforcement Administration begins with this tale of "Undercover Eddie", a pushy young agent with a pony-tail, who gets his kicks from infiltrating the ranks of dangerous drugs barons, then moving in for the kill. Dealer Sam Essell, head of an international Nigerian drug-trafficking organisation, is his latest potential prison immate. "I'm counting on this guy to come through for me — my victory, his demise", says Eddie with a smirk. It's a messy first programme, devoid of a narrator and consequently hard to follow, although the sporadic subtitles help to explain the drug-speak. Still, there is plenty of spicy tension as the hidden cameras reveal both the secret meetings between Eddle and the unsuspecting baddles, and, on about Day 105, the "big sting",

when the villains get their come-uppance. (Ceefax) (s) 10.30 Sportsnight. Desmond Lynam introduces championship boxing from Leeds Town Hall as Henry Wharton detends his Commonwealth Super-Middleweight title against Lou Gent. Plus, a look at Eddie Jordan's winning formula one racing team, which includes Andrea De Cesaris and Bertrand Gachot; a report from the British boxing annual awards presentation and the latest tootball news and results

11.20 Film: Hard Contract (1969). Tense, verbose drama starring James Coburn as an enigmatic professional assassin who falls in love with an unsuspecting Lee Remick. Directed by S. Lee Pogostin, Wales: m '91 with Berry Norman; 11,50 Film: Hard Contract

8.00 News 8.15 Sbx Faces of Royalty: Charles II (r)
8.30 The Man Who Invented the 20th Century. Charles Parson (r)
9.00 Daytime on Two: It Doesn't Have to Hurt (r). (Ceetax) 9.10 Stop and Think (r) 9.30 Diez Temas (r) 9.45 You and Me (r) 10.00 Thinkabout Science 10.15 Search Oul Science (r) 10.35 Q & A (s)
10.40 Around Scotland: Clearances (s). Northern Ireland: Ceefax
11.00 Words and Pictures (r) 11.15 English Time: Writing 11.35 Teaching Today: Language in the National Curriculum (r) 12.05 TV6: Teers From My Soul 12.30 Lifeschool: Careers (r) 12.55 Espara Viva (r) 1.20 Postman Pat (r) 1.35 Jimbo and the Jet Set (r) 1.40 Zig Zag: The Vikings
2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me (r) 2.15 Holiday Outings. An adventure holiday in the Lake District 2.20 Craftsmen: At a Printmaker's Workshop 2.35 Country File (r) 3.00 News and weather followed by The Psychic Tearoom(r) 3.50 News, regional news and weather

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4.00 The Nutt House, American comedy series (r)
4.25 The History Man. Bryan McNemey visits Hackian's Wall (r)
4.30 Trivial Pursuit. Television version of the board game (r). r'eefax)
5.00 Relatively Speaking. Mavis Nicholson talks to Dame Barbara Cartland, and her daughter Raine, the Countess of Althorp
5.30 A Question of Sport (r). (Ceefax) (s)
6.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. (Ceefax)
6.50 Def It: Rough Quide to the World's Journeys — Indonesia.
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Magenta de Vine and Sankha Guha journey to Seli via the Indonesian capital of Jakarta and across the island of Java to

7.40 Def II: Rapido. Antoine de Caunes talks to David Bowie and members of his new band, Tin Machine, in the first of a new series of the energetic rock show

8.10 Timewatch: Harvests of Iron — The Watch on the Somme CHOICE: In part one of two programmes about the first world wer, German writer Ludwig Harig travels to the Somme in an attempt to work out why his father could not talk about his experiences as a soldier at the Front. One cannot help thinking he might have been better talking to German veterans, if there are any left, or at least seeking out some revealing soldiers' diaries. Instead, this film, made for British and French television, seems to be much more concerned with the Gallic point of view. It is no less cinating for that; we hear vivid reminiscences about everyday life in occupied Frence, the odd shootings on the street, the cartloads of wounded soldiers — "you could follow the trail of blood" — and the niggling annoyances such as the German bread, "like gingerbread". It is a beautifully made film marrying interviews with well-chosen archive footage, but at the end of it we are left with only filmsy theories about the reticence of Harig's father 9.00 M\*A\*S\*H: Blood and Guts. Hawkeye (Alan Alda) is not amused by a war correspondent's story about blood donations (r)



involved in a dirty business: Michael Gough in Belfast (9.25pm)

9.25 Children of the North: The Killing of Yesterday's Children

© CHOICE: Adapted from the novels of M.S. Power and directed
by Delence of the Realm's David Drury, this four-part Northern
ireland thriller gets off to an intriguing start with all the characters showing equal potential for treachery. The only half-sane person, Arthur Apple, a visionary madman expertly played by Michael Gough, is quick to warn us how things are; he sees, he says, "an awful deception invading the souts of men . . ." Apple is swiftly recruited by the IRA to run a betting shop in Belfast laundering IRA funds, and soon ends up lying through his teeth like everyone else. Meanwhile, the Army, the RUC, the IRA and MI6 first with each other in preparation for the time when they will all make deals together. It's heavy-handed and over-nasty in parts, as when the IRA hitman (Adrian Dunbar) gets stuck into his tame prostitute while running through past murders in his mind, but it's the machavellian politics that make this worth catching. (Ceefax) (s) 10.20 Fifth Column. A personal opinion about a topical subject 10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Paxman

11.15 The Late Show. Journalist Ben Woolly reports on Tokyo's struggle to find a new architectural identity 11.55 Weather

9.25 Jeopardy! Quiz in which Steve Jones supplies the enswers and the contestants have to provide the questions 9.55 Thames

10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Live topical discussion programme
10.40 This Morning. Judy Finnigan and Richard Madeley present the
family magazine programme, including at 11.00 Children's Health.
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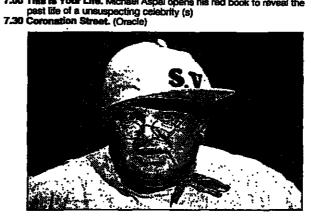
1.20 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle)

1.50 A Country Practice. Australian medical drama serial (s)

2.20 Rugby World Cup '91. Frank Bough introduces live coverage from Cardiff of the play-off for third and fourth places between Scotland and New Zealand, the two losing semi-finalists. Plus a lock at how the finalists England and Australia are preparing for the big match on Seturday. on Seturday

4.15 Children's ITV beginning with Rolf's Cartoon Club. Wecaday's Tim Mallett reveals his favourite cartoons 4.40 Time Riclers. Third in a four-part science fiction series. Starring Haydin Gwynne 5.10 Blockbusters. Bob Holness hosts the cuiz for teenagers 5.40 News with Flona Armstrong. (Oracle) Weather 5.55 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley investigates canoeing

6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) 6.30 Thames News. (Oracle) 7.00 This is Your Life. Michael Aspal opens his red book to reveal the



Comic vision: Benny Hill in a line-up of (amous guests (8.00pm)

8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. Des is joined by comic Benny Hill, American singer Mariah Cary, singer-songwriter Neil Sedaka and pop singer Kim Appleby, for an hour of music and corredy (s) I Film: Someone to Watch Over Me (1987). The first showing on network television for this stylish romantic thriller about a New York cop (Torn Berenger), whose loyalties are divided between his loving wife (Lonzine Bracco) and the wealthy socialite (Mimi Rogers) he is assigned to protect. Directed by Ridley Scott, whose film credits include Alien, Blade Runner and Thelma and Louise.

10.00 News at Ten with Julia Somerville and Fiona Armstrong. (Oracle) Weather 10.30 Thames News and weather 10.46 Film: Someone to Watch Over Me. Continued

11.35 Rugby World Cup '91. David Bobin introduces highlights of this afternoon's third and fourth place play-off from Cardiff 12.30am Film: Sexpionage (1985). Lacktustre made-for-tel

espionage film about young Russian girls who are trained to use sex as a means of discovering information. Starring Linda Hamilton, Geena Davis, Sally Kellerman and James Franciscus. Directed by Don Taylor America's Top Ten. Tom Puett presents the latest chart sounds

pop videos, news and gossip from the United States (s) 3.10 Quiz Night. Tom Robbins presents the pub and club team

3.40 Books by My Bedside. The newsreader Sandy Gall talks to Brough Scott about the books that he is currently reading, including a thriller by John Le Carré and the Michelin Guide to 4.10 Motorsoort. The British Sidecar Motor-cross Grand Prix

4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w). Archive newsreels from late October 1941 5.00 Witness to Survivel: Marte Hanson/The Rodriquez Family. Two courageous tales about ordinary people struggling to survive 5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at 6.00

Starring Dansty De Vito, Michael Douglas

and Kathleen Turner 2.00 Licence To Kill (1989): Timothy Dalton

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2.15 Chances Are (1989): Cornedy about a

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been reincarneted
4.10 The Adventures of the Wilderness

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6.00 The Channel 4 Dally 12.00 Profiles of Nature: Life in a Pond. A revealing insight into the micro-organisms that can found above and below the surface of a resh water pond

12.30 Business Daily. News and anaysis from the City
1.00 Sesante Street. Pre-school learning series. The guest is the actor Robin Williams

2.00 Faith, Hope and Clarity: Revelation. Third of a ten-part series on religious issues. Ronald Eyre examines the idea of the Revelation with Dr Ruth Page, a Christian, and Dr Zald Badawi, a Muslim (s)
2.30 Film: Edison, the Man (1940, b/w). Romantic biopic, starring
Spencer Tracy as Thomas Edison, the inventor of the electric light. Rita Johnson stars as his wife. Directed by Clarence Brown 4.30 Fifteen-to-One. William G. Stewart hosts the quick-fire quiz (s)



Smiles of success: Oprah Winfrey, Michael J. Fox (5.00pm)

5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. The baby-faced actor Michael J. Fox, star of the television comedy senes Family Ties and films such as Back to the Future, talks about his career and family (s)

5.55 Willo the Wisp. Carloon (r) 6.00 Kate and Alile: Kate and the Cab Driver. American cornecty series about two American divorcees. Starring Susan Saint James and Jane Curtin

6.30 Tonight with Jonathan Ross live from the Ed Sullivan Theatre in

New York (s)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext)

7.50 Party Political Comment from a representative of the Green party

8.00 Brookside. Merseyside scap. (Teletext) (s)

 CHOICE: A new series of the travel programme aimed at the adventurous. A promising line-up of would-be explorers over the next few weeks includes poet and comic John Hegley, Patrick Barlow from the National Theatre of Brent and Simon Hoggart, the journalist and US-watcher. Tonight it's the turn of chirpy Andy Kershaw, who samples life in Mongolia, once great under Genghis Khan, now hoping to attract tourists by invoking the Genghis Khan, naw hoping to attract tourists by invoking the Genghis Khan name wherever possible. First stop is the industrialised capital, Ulan Bator, which Kershaw promptly compares to Sheffield. Then it's off to the country where he has much more fun playing Frisbee. in the Gobi desert and giggling at a boy riding a horse white carrying a sheep, then dropping the sheep. It is not the most reverent of approaches but it is certainly entertaining and there are nuggets of history and sensible comment along the way (s)

tches. Sir Fitzroy Meclean visits the former Soviet republic

of Georgia and talks to Sviad Garnsakhurdia, Georgia's first elected president, among others is Short and Curiles: A Nice Arrangement. Meera Syal's short drama in which Meena (Tanla Rodrigues) leaves it until her wedding day to decide whether to marry the fiance arranged for her but has Asian family as the state with her beginned (V. Calestavi). her by her Asian family or to stay with her boyfriend (r). (Teletext) 10.00 The Golden Girls: Stand By Your Man. Addictive cornedy with the four Miami matrons

10.30 Paul Merton: The Series. The dead-pan comedian rounds off the series by showing us the worst thing that can happen at the dentist, in an ambulance and at the disco (s)

11.00 US: The Boafos. The penultimate episode in the series on immigrant families in Britain meets Ghana-born Sam Boafo and his family, who live in London's East End

11.45 Tonight with Jonathan Ross from the core of the Big Apple (r) (s)
12.15am Film: Junglee (1961). Continuing the season of Indian love stories from the Bombay film studies. Shammi Kapoor stars in a colourful musical as a rich boy on holiday in Kashmir, who falls in love with a poor girl (Saira Bano) and has to deal with the disapproval of his parents. In Hindl with English subtitles. Directed by Subodh Mukherjee. Ends at 2.50

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6.55am Weather; News Headlines 7.60 Morning Concert: Dvorák (Serenade in D minor, Op 44: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Field under Martiner)

7.30 News
7.35 Morring Concert (cont): Haydn
(String Quartet No 5 in G, Op
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8.35 Composers of The Week: S Composers of The Week:
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3, The Song of the Night:
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under Donati, with Rysard
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Katowice under Stryla, with Barbara Zagorzanka, soprano) 9.35 Midweek Choice with Susan Sharpe: J Strauss, (Overture, Waldmeister: Vienna Waldmeister: Vienna
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sans paroles, Op 17: Paul
Crossley, piano), Hamilton
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Op 15 Dimitir Ferschtman,
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piano); Satie (The Death of
Socrates: Pans Orchestra
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Mespié, sopranoi: Walton under Dervaux, with Mady Mesplé, sopranoj; Walton (Vole Concerto: Royal Pháharmorac Orchestra under Previn, with Nigel Kernedy, violini; Scharwenka (Novelotte, Op 22 No 1; Polonaise, Op 42: Michael Porti, pianoj; Rimsky-Korsakov (Surte, The Snow Maxdon: Women's Voices of Rotterdam Phiharmorne "Toonkurts!" Chor, Rotterdam Phiharmonic Orchestra under Zinnan, with Roberts Alexander, sopranoj

1.40 EBC PO under Bernhard Kloe performs Strawnsky (Concerto n E flat, Dumbarton Oska). Schubert (Symphony No 8, D

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1.05 Japan Sesson: Concert Hall. 5 Japan Season: Concert Hail.
Live from Broadcasting House,
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Quartet in G. Op 33 No 5);
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C, Op 59 No 3)
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3.10 Vintage Years: William
Steinberg and the Pittsburgh
Symphony Orchestra perform
Rachmannov (Symphony No 2
in F minor) in E minor)

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7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear with Robert Hewison
7.30 Bournemouth SO under
Andrew Litton with Evelyn
Glennie, percussion, performs
Rossini (Overture, The
Thieving Magpie): Richard
Rodney Bennett (Concerto for Percussion); Saint-Saëns, arranged by Glennie
(Introduction and Rondo Capriccoso for marimba and orchestns); Sibalius
(Symphony No 2 in D, Op 43)
9.05 Japan Season: So Where's the Opposition?

CHOICE. A contributor to Professor Roger Buckley's analysis of the feature of the Japanese opposition parties in

analysis of the feature of the Japanese opposition parties in general and the Socialists in particular to end 40 years of Liberal Democrat rule, offers the smplistic explanation that a mouse which doesn't catch rats is no use. Professor Buckley surveys the political scene through his windows at the International University of Tokyo, and offers the more considered view that if a fraction of the energy the Japanese expend on industrial Japanese expend on industrial endeavour could be shifted to litical reform, a political racie is not an impossibility mbewarra: Peter Lawson

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(r) **8.58** Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Midweek with Libby Purves: Guest interview by Brian Hayes 10.00-10.30am Wonderlandscapes (FM only): Sleepy Victorian Oxford ● CHOICE:If part one of

• CHOICE:If part one of Michael Bakewell's six-part exploration of the world of Dodgson/Carroll doesn't knock the sleep out of your eyes, nothing will, it's a marvellous brain-tesser, the kind of stimulating stuff we are more used to after 10pm. Bakewell is resourcefully served by this director. served by his director Rosemary Hart (remembe what they did a couple of years ago with their life of Dickens?), and they are up to their old troks again today, shuffling two pecks of cards together, snapshots from the Dodgson/Carroll life — Alan Repeat and Devid College. Bennett and David Collings

play the alter egos — and complementary extracts from the Carroll course (1 of 6) (s) 10.00 News; Daily Service Pligrimage (LW only): From Christ Church Cathedral, Outbin .

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10.30 Woman's Hour: Jenni Murray meets opera singer Isobel Buchanan, incl 11.00 News 11.30 Gardeners' Causation Time (r) 12.00 News; You and Yours 12.25pm Crown Papers: The trails and tribulations of an upper class family in the 1890s (Last in Series) (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (r); 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Shanti and the Crocodile: A 16-year old Hindu

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7.45 All in the Mind: Professor Anthony Clare presents a weekly magazine davoted to matters of the mind (r)
8.15 Opinion: For Christ's Sakel The Rev Nicholas Stacey argues for modernisation of the Church of England (r)
8.45 Poetry Please: Simon Ree talks to Andrew Motion about Philip Larkin (s)
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9.30 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
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eyewitness accounts of the flood that devastated Florence 1000 mar devestated Florence 25 years ago (s) 11.30 in the Country: The Hind Cull. Countryside issues (r) 12.00 News, incl 12.27 am Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 FM closes, LW joins World Sewice

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# Waldegrave wants faster negligence settlements

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

A RADICAL overhaul of how award compensation, using victims of medical accidents medical records and written are compensated was outlined submissions from the parties by William Waldegrave, the concerned, would however health secretary, yesterday.

The proposal, based on arbitration, should lead to according to the consultation quicker and cheaper com- document. There would be no pensation settlements but falls appeal, apart from on points short of the no-fault com- of law, against their decision. pensation system supported by the medical profession.

Under the new system, which was sent out for consultation, cause would not have to be proved by the courts but by a panel of two doctors and a lawyer purely on paper work. The decision to

### Gummer attacks faddists

By MICHAEL HORNSBY

VEGETARIAN diets were denounced as faddist and unhealthy yesterday by John Gummer, the agriculture minister, who said that man was a natural omnivore.

Speaking at the annual luncheon of the British Meat Manufacturers' Association in London, he said that meat was a very natural food. "We do not want the faddist diet that has removed from it the natural mix which humans are meant to eat and in which meat plays its part".

He warned the association, however, that more attention would have to be paid to animal welfare if "you want meat-eating to continue to grow and if you want to meat-eating is in some way

The Vegetarian Society said yesterday that Mr Gummer was out of touch with public opinion. Juliet Gellatley, cam-paigns director, said: "It is farm animal welfare should industry.

Mr Gummer, who is a member of the general synod of the Church of England, to defend meat-eating on theological grounds.

still be based on whether negligence could be proved.

The British Medical Association and a number of MPs have been pressing for years for a system of no-fault compensation where victims of medical accidents are awarded compensation irrespective of whether medical negligence can be proved.

The association said last night said it welcomed any move which reduced the cost and prolonged delays involved in the legal process but was disappointed that the health secretary had not met the association's main objective of a no-fault system.

David Bolt, of the association's working party on nocompensation, estimated that the new system, which follows a proposal first made by Lord Griffiths last October, would only cost about £500,000 a year to run. "Our view is that compensation should be based on the severity of the injury rather than whether or not it resulted from medical negligence."

Earlier this year both the Royal College of Physicians and Sir Donald Acheson, the government's former chief medical officer, added their support to calls for a no-fault compensation scheme which would cost an estimated £100 million a year to run.

Last year the health service spent about £45 million in meeting claims for medical negligence, according to the counter those who suggest that consultative document. Damages exceeded £300,000 in about 35 cases and the total damages in these cases amounted to £17 million.

Individual awards have increased from a high of £100,000 in 1977 to more than frightening that someone ap-graphies to look after food and cost of medical insurance premiums led to the transfer place himself behind the meat of indemnity costs from the medical defence unions to health authorities.

From January 1990 health authorities and trusts have chose the same venue last year | had to pay legal costs and the awards granted where negligence was proven.



Loch Ness monster: a Wellington, R for Robert, which was recovered from Loch Ness where it ditched during a snowstorm in 1940, is being rebuilt at the Brooklands Museum, Weybridge, Surrey. The partly restored bomber will be on show on Saturday and Sunday to mark Wellington Weekend

### Gorbachev says he is in control of Soviet Union

not to join the economic union of eight republics. It is understood that he also gave the American president private reassurances about the control ofthe Soviet nuclear arsenal.

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pean envoy commented. A reporter from Izvestia quickly destroyed the mutual senior Russian television in the future. bonhomie of the joint news conference which followed the self-styled "mini-summit" when he asked the Kremlin not make any difference to its

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place and fulfilling his duties during his absence. "I am still the president.

Nobody is taking my place. Everybody else is doing what they are supposed to be doing and carrying out their functions", Mr Gorbachev retorted sharply. "I did not lose some straight answers to my balance then (during the tough questions, Western dip- coup attempt) and I have not lomatic observers noticed a lost it now. Nobody is going to change in Mr Gorbachev take me out of the action. The

be resisted strongly. But a

anchorman, Yuri Rostov, told Western reporters: "If there is Amos Oz, Conor Croise another coup attempt, it will O'Brien and Richard Owen, leader who was taking his success or failure whether

Gorbachev is in the country or out. He is not that important any more.

The Middle East peace conference took second place yesterday to Mr Bush's anxious desire to hear from Mr Gorbachev about his personal standing and the chaotic conditions in the Soviet Union.

"I am very happy to see my friend again," a beaming Mr Bush said afterwards during remarks in which he reneat-Soviet experts describe the edly attempted to bolster Mr look very different, but one unexpectedly robust response Gorbachev's position and to Gorbachev to those who may to be drawn into questions still be planning his downfall about whether Moscow was that any further attempts will planning to deal more directly with the breakaway republics

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### BBC's market move

Continued from page I for licence payers". It would assure politicians that the BBC was as efficient as any other broadcaster in the period before expiry of its royal charter in 1996.

renewal debate dominated by costs, efficiency, property portfolios and bureaucracy," Mr Checkland said. "We have to prove we are fully competitive with the outside market so that we are not diverted from the real debate: the role and purpose of BBC services. what the viewers and listeners wanL'

Roger Bolton, national industrial officer for the BBC union, accused the management of trying to hijack the debate on the BBC's future. "it seems a smali group of senior executives are trying to prevent Parliament and the public making decisions about the future of the BBC by Diary, page 14 | imposing irrevocable staff cuts

renewal of the charter Unions attacked the scheme "toytown accounting". arguing that it would increase, rather than decrease, BBC bureaucracy. "It is a job "We didn't want the charter creation scheme for accountants," Tony Lennon, copresident of Bectu, the broadcasting union, said.

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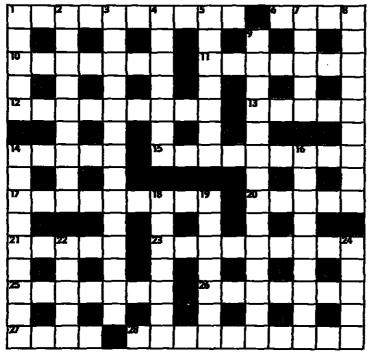
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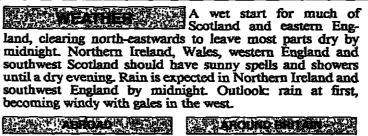
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**TODAY IN BUSINESS** 



Norman Lamont says we are seeing the biggest rise in optimism for 17 years, but the British economy could face the threat of a double dip recession Page 27

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Toshiba and C Itoh have become the latest to take a stake in Hollywood, revealing a joint partnership with Time Warner to control existing Time businesses in film, television and cable Page 25

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Sir Bryan Nichelson, Post Office chairman, suggests that private competitors should charge 50p – against 24p charged for first-class letters at the moment Page 25

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SmithKline Beecham, the pharmaceutical group, benefited from a £12 million lawsuit payment in

the third quarter to end-September, Sales of Tagamet, the peptic ulcer medicine, rose 5 per cent Tempus, page 26

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Nobby Clark, the chairman of Foster's Brewery, has threatened to resign over not obtaining an assurance of support from the old chairman John Elliott Page 24

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US district attorney says UK has not helped in BCCI enquiry

# SFO accused of failing to co-operate

From Susan Ellicott in Washington

fice has been accused of liquidator. failing to co-operate with American investigations into alleged corruption and money-laundering by or the alleged responses. "We the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce us to comment on what Mr Morgenthau said," she said In his second complaint after speaking to Mrs Mills.

about British institutions in four months, Robert Morgenhe spoke personally to the to exchange information that could help recuperate assets," could assist enquiries into the he said. BCCI affair.

Mr Morgenthau, who began investigating the Luxem- defrauded depositors of bebourg-based bank's dealings in 1989, has a reputation as one of America's toughest prospower of subpoena to obtain Britain and America, closed

He said his staff have sent two letters proposing an ex-change of information. One of his senior assistants also had Dickson, the case controller on the BCCI investigation, he said. Yet the London office had "so far declined to make

THE Serious Fraud Of- was "a deal with the Mr Morgenthau has called A spokeswoman for the fraud office yesterday declined to give details of the district attorney's alleged approaches do not feel it is appropriate for

Mr Morgenthau said he did not understand why the roles thau, the Manhattan district of the liquidator and pros-attorney, told *The Times* that ecutors should be linked. "We view our role as to find out fraud office in mid-July but what crimes have been did not get anywhere". He committed and we thought added that members of his that was the role of the SFO. staff were in London ten days We think that if we find where ago, when they again offered money has been stolen and senior SFO officials a chance where it has been hidden we

Investigators have esti-mated that BCCI may have tween \$4 billion and \$15 billion between 1972 and last potentially useful documents down its operations after citor speak to would-be witnesses in Britain without British co-operation.

down its operations after citing fraud and corruption.

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Attention in Washington them local governments and families of Pakistani descent, are believed to have lost about

**NEDC** likely to reject

Japan-style bargaining

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Howard, employment sec-

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Though the prime min-

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of more co-ordinated pay

bargaining, ministers are like-

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paper on wage bargaining and

unemployment prepared by Dr Walter Eltis, NEDC's

director-general. The confid-

system of pay bargaining.

At a quarterly meeting of

\$4 billion lunch with Barbara Mills, the the fraud office highlights the ers, a former White House SFO's director, and Chris difficulty of co-ordinating the aide, and Sheik Kamal

"the largest bank fraud in world financial history". BCCI was founded in the early Seventies by Agha Hasan Abedi, a Pakistani banker, and quickly became one of the biggest privately owned banks in the world.

"We have a lot of information which we think would be of help to the SFO," Mr Morgenthau said.

The fraud office was set up after the 1987 Criminal Justice Act to investigate and prosecute the most serious and complex frauds in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. As an independent body, it has extensive investigative powers that go beyond the limits of anti-fraud police

Mr Morgenthau's complaints about the fraud office came barely four months after he complained publicly that the Bank of England was of America's toughest pros-ecutors. His office has no in eight countries, including into the BCCI affair. He said the Bank has been "extremely

has refocused on BCCI in past days after President Bush ordered an enquiry into the The alleged stone-walling by relationship between Ed Rogregulation of a bank for which Adham, a leading figure in the no single central bank had banking scandal. Mr Rogers

moves towards greater pay co-

Both regard such develop-

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Lunch, but "no co-operation": Barbara Mills, director of the Serious Fraud Office

# CBI shows confidence up

By Our Industrial Editor

that to happen again.

beginning of the end of the rise in confidence as an in-panies are now expecting a recession yesterday when the dicator at a time when other slight improvement in orders latest large-scale survey from indicators in the survey are over the next few months, the Confederation of British showing the recession still though the CBI acknowledged Industry showed a marked firmly in place, they pointed yesterday that demand, outboost in business confidence out yesterday that previous put and employment had all - but also revealed that the similar rises in confidence at fallen more than was expected recession has hit even harder than has been recorded. recessions have been followed July. by actual increases in output

The CBI emphasised an uncomfortable dependence on exports, a worse than expected fall in demand and a forecast of a further 5,000 job losses in manufacturing per week as much as the surge in general business optimism. David Wigglesworth, chair-

man of the CBI's economic situation committee, said: "We are now seeing the flickering signs of an upturn from what is still a severe recession."

The results of the CBI's survey showed that confidence among manufacturers has strengthened for the first mance, and as a return to what time in three years, with 19 per cent more confident and they see as the discredited 17 per cent less so than four months ago. With most, 64 per cent, still showing no change, this gives a balance of 2 per cent of those saying more over those saying less.

This represents a 28 per-"Telephone number salcentage point change in con-It does, however, make the aries can have significant fidence from the figure point that Britain's "inter- knock-on effects," it says. reported in the last CBI survey "The rewards of those who in July and is the biggest swing in confidence since 1982, and ively high degree of collective can turn round companies can bargaining alongside moves go on to become the norm for the biggest upward rise since 1963. The Treasury, using an re-emergence at the NEDC. It towards pay decentralisation those administering going will arise in discussion of a - "may be rather disadvanta- concerns of the same size, unpublished seasonally adgeous in comparison with a even if they are being run justed series based on the wholehearted pursuit of either rather unsuccessfully, so the CBI's data, said it was the link between pay and perforbiggest quarterly rise in confidence for 17 years. Though The document is expected mance at the top can become CBI economists remain scep-

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> Employment in particular is and orders, and they expect expected to worsen. The CBI said that manufacturing In the 1975 trough, output employment is estimated to began to increase at the same have fallen by 69,000 in the time as confidence returned, third quarter, and was forecast though in the 1980 downturn to fall by a further 61,000 in output only started to grow the final three months.

### City mops up BAe loose ends

By GRAHAM SEARJEANT FINANCIAL EDITOR

ALMOST 12 million shares in British Aerospace, a tenth of the group's rights issue, were placed among financial in-stitutions at 357p by BAe's brokers yesterday, in an attempt to mop up loose holdings after the near-complete failure of the issue. Only 4.9 per cent of the £430 million new shares were taken up at the asking price of 380p, mainly by small shareholders.

BAe shares, which have stayed obstinately below the stayed obstinately below the rights price, fell a further 6p to 363p with little sign of any stake-building. Kleinwort Benson, BAe's adviser, maintained that the

extent of the failure reflected the underwriting mechanics and that the remaining 85 per cent of the issue should not be regarded as overhanging the market. Most of the sub-underwriters were existing BAe institutional shareholders who had chosen to take their new BAe shares up via their underwriting allotment rather than by subscribing to the

The bankers said they had sub-underwritten the issue largely by going to institutional shareholders and offering them 14 per cent commission, equivalent to 6p per share, to guarantee to take

unwanted stock pro rata with their existing holdings.

When the issue seemed doomed to fail, underwriting shareholders decided not to subscribe, since they would get stock anyway through under-writing. They received new shares at a cost of 374p net of commission, although they are still showing a loss.

Kleinwort canvassed potential buyers and sellers yesterday morning before arranging the pooled placing through Hoare Govett and Kleinwort Securities, albeit at nearly 10p a share less than originally hoped.

Dealers' attempts to continue Monday's rally in share prices failed. An early markup pushed the FTSE 100 share index up 19 points early in the morning, but buyers stayed away. The index ended 5.2 points down at 2,553.3.

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# Barclays responds to charges

By NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

BARCLAYS Bank is planning to launch a new code of practice next month, designed to answer criticism of its service to small businesses and win business from high street rivals.

Confidential documents from the bank show that the code will offer more services to small businesses than Midland's business charter issued two weeks ago.

A memo to branch man-

improve our competitive position by introducing a code which is more attractive to businesses than that of the other banks".

The main feature will be a promise to send small business customers a full breakdown of interest and com- year, will cost Barclays an mission charges on their estimated £3 million a year, the banks until the end of the current accounts ten days but it plans to absorb the cost year to produce their new before the end of each quarter. without increasing charges. In codes, but they were given



Oninton: more services This will give companies time agers says the bank wants to to complain about the charges with their manager before they are debited from their accounts. Until now banks have only supplied a breakdown of charges on request.

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bank's new code in response to a request from the Chancellor last July. This came after the Treasury and the Bank of England had reviewed the banks' treatment of small husinesses. The Treasury received more

than 1,000 letters of complaint details of Barclays' complaints The new measure, to come charges, and be given ade-

about the banks during its enquiry, and Mr Lamont decided that the codes were needed to improve their service. He said that the codes should ensure that companies recieved a full tariff of all bank has called for legal contracts to

procedure in case of disputes with their branch. The measures fall short of demands from small business pressure groups, however. The The Chancellor has given all

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### Gestetner issues profits warning

By MARTIN WALLER

GESTETNER Holdings, the office equipment company, has issued a surprise profit warning just five weeks after selling a 24 per cent stake to Ricon, of Japan.

A sudden sales downturn in September, a vital month for Gestetner, has cost the job of Barry Hartop, a main board director. Day-to-day control of the office equipment division passes to Basil Sellers, chairman and chief executive.

Gestetner shares fell 26p to 158p on news that profits for the year to end-October would be "somewhat below" market expectations because of difficulties in office equipment, although the photographic division continued to trade in line with budget.

Ricoh effectively paid 250p a share for its holding, or £122 million, and is therefore looking at a £45 million book loss on the deal.

The market had been expecting £35 million to £38 million pre-tax from the group this year. Forecasts have been scaled back to between £25 million and £30 million, but these are highly provisional and depend on October sales

that company's board to concentrate on Gestetner. They are Greg Melgaard, the British company's deputy chairman, Brian Copsey, finance director, and David Fitzsimons.

Mr Melgaard said Ricoh supported the decisions taken. of the market. It also plans to "I'm not trying to pretend they would be ecstatic at this," he said. "Of course it's disappointing. I think they understand the situation is

deteriorating."

Alarm bells had rung at Gestetner with the discovery that September's sales were more than 10 per cent below budget, Mr Melgaard said. September and October, because of the seasonal nature of the business, account for reorganising Union's existing about 30 per cent of the division's annual profit before and establishing systems to interest and tax.

# **Board of Foster's fails to** ensure support of Elliott

From Brian Buchanan in Sydney

Nobby Clark, the chairman, threatened to resign. Mr Clark said he had sought, but failed, to obtain an assurance of support from John Elliott, the brewer's former chief.

In a letter to shareholders, the former head of National Australia Bank said he had asked for an unqualified assurance from Mr Elliott that his

### **Discount** firm tries new field

By Neil Bennett BANKING CORRESPONDENT

UNION Discount, the lossmaking discount house, has launched a new invoicediscounting subsidiary to provide working capital for small and medium-sized companies as the recession ends.

Union Discount Commercial Finance, the new subsidiary, is the firm's latest diversification away from its traditional discounting business. Sabre Leasing, an earlier Three directors of AFP, the Australian group that also has a 24 per cent stake, are leaving million in the first half of the

> UDCF starts with £200 million of invoices from its predecessor, Union Discount Invoice Financing, and plans to increase this book to £750 million, or around 8 per cent expand into full-service factoring, where it will manage companies' sales ledgers, within a year.

> Union has injected £250,000 into the new company and will supply more UCDF will be launched officially next week.

David Pretlove, managing director of the new company, has spent five months invoice discounting business cope with the rise in business.

A BOARDROOM battle for company, International Brewpower at Foster's Brewing ing Holdings, would continue became public yesterday when to support the existing structure of the board.

Reports have suggested that Mr Elliott has been lobbying Asahi, the Japanese brewer that has about 20 per cent of Foster's to support his return

Mr Elliott's cash-starved IBH, formerly known as Harrin Holdings, has 37 per cent of Foster's. It wants the brewer to start issuing dividends again because such payouts are the company's only source of income, providing the cash it needs to pay debis.

The AMP Society, Austraha's biggest institutional investor, has already made a veiled rebuff to Mr Elliott's wishes, praising the existing team of Mr Clark and Peter Bartels, the managing direc-

In his letter, Mr Clark said the existing board structure was the "fundamental basis" on which he accepted the position of chairman last year.

He added: "I certainly regret that this disturbing situation has developed. However, the present board structure was the subject of a specific agreement between the chairman of IBH and me.

"If this structure were to be changed, then I believe that the basis for a balanced board with an independent chairman would be gone. I doubt that I would be able to continue in those circumstances," said Mr Clark.

The finely balanced Foster's board could be changed at the annual meeting on November 13, when one independent director retires and another offers himself for reelection. To make use of this opportunity to change the balance of power, Mr Elliott would need to attract voting

In his statement, Mr Clark said he was proud of the achievements at Foster's in the past 12 months, including a doubling in size of the company's brewing business in the United Kingdom.



Payout request: John Elliott, former head of Foster's

### **British** industry **'overpays** for gas'

By PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

LARGE UK industrial companies are at a competitive disadvantage in world markets because of the price of gas, according to a survey of international gas prices.

The annual international gas price survey by National Utility Services looked at September prices in nine countries.

While gas prices in Britain have been relatively stable, the survey suggests that large industrial users are getting a worse deal than other consumers — something about which they have complained both to British Gas and to Ofgas, the industry's regul-

The survey finds no movement in international gas price placings, with the UK still in fourth position. Italy tops the table for the third year. However, prices are rising more slowly in Britain now; the country has fallen from fifth to seventh in terms of the rate of increase. Gas prices are increasing most quickly in Germany and most slowly in America.

In the 12 months to September, the average cost of gas for business users increased by 2.1 per cent, against a September inflation rate of 4.7 per cent. But heavy industrial users and large consumers on firm contracts for processing and manufacturing fare less well.

Large industrial consumers in Britain pay on average the second-highest prices for their gas, with firm contract customers tying with Italy for second place. In both cases German companies top the

National Utility Services said the differing treatment of industrial and other users placed Britain at a competitive disadvantage. Andrew Johns, general sales manager, said: "By paying in some cases as much as 27 per cent more for gas than their European counterparts, UK companies are unable to compete effec-

### **BUSINESS ROUNDUP**

# GPE raises £100m of long-term debt GREAT Portland Estates, the country's sixth-largest property company, has raised £100 million of long-term debt the property is the property of a 30-year debendure stock.

through the successful issue of a 30-year debenture stock. The latest issue further reinforces the commitment of Richard Peskin, chairman, to secure stable, long-term borrowings for GPE. Since he became chairman in 1986. Mr Peskin has raised around £200 million of long-dated debt, with the latest issue raising the average cost of these borrowings to around 10.4 per cent. But, unlike many property company chairman, Mr Peskin has been spending money. The new money will be used to finance the business of GPE and subsidiaries.

Although the successful placing of the issue confirms

GPE's strength in the property sector, the listing particulars make it clear that the pain in the property market is continued some 45 per cent of GPE's investment portfolio has fallen in value by an average of 6.5 per cent since the

### SAS to fly to Vilnius

SCANDINAVIAN Airlines System will start twice-weekly flights between Copenhagen and Vilnius, capital of Lithuania, in January.

SAS, half-owned by the governments of Sweden, Norway

and Denmark, already has two flights a week between Copenhagen and Riga, Latvia, and three a week from Copenhagen via Stockholm to Tallinn, the Estonian capital. As the Scandinavian flag carrier, SAS has first choice of routes in the region.

### IBC remains in red

INTERNATIONAL Business Communications (Holdings), the restructured conference and publishing group, continued to make losses in the first half despite disposals. Operating profits for the six months to end-June were £2.2 million (£7.8 million), but a £4.6 million interest charge resulted in a £2.4 million pre-tax deficit. Again, there is no interim dividend. Peter Rigby, chief executive, said the group had suffered from recession and the Gulf war, which had caused a slump in international conference attendance.

Popular cash call

LASMO, the oil exploration and production concern, said a

Can\$30 million (£15 million) rights issue by Lasmo Canada,
its 55 per cent owned associate, was oversubscribed. The proceeds will be used to reduce bank borrowings and finance

exploration projects. The company, which operates primarily in Alberta and Saskatchewan, issued 4.6 million shares at Can\$6.50 on the basis of one new share for every seven held. The shares are traded on stock exchanges in Toronto and Montreal.

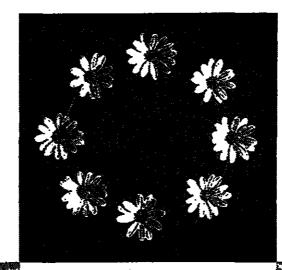
### TNT still in the red

TNT, the Australian international transport group, has passed its first-quarter dividend after recording another net loss, albeit only Aus\$115,000 (£53,000), in the three months to end-September. Fred Miller, the chairman, said the group was unlikely to pay a dividend for the full year and that he expected the full-year result to be disappointing.

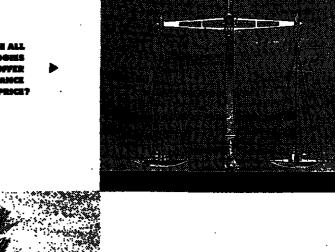
The first-quarter's loss was Aus\$20.7 million (profit of \$22.3 million) before abnormal profits of \$20.5 million. TNT lost Aus\$197 million in the year to end-June.

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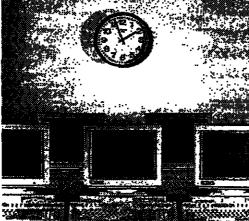
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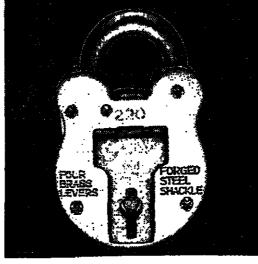
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with legal costs SALOMON Brothers, the distotal staff pay this year will be million. Mr Buffett now wants graced Wall Street investment lower than last. bank, has told staff they must take a pay cut to help meet the legal expenses likely to stem from its unlawful attempts to rig prices in Treasury bond

sum it charged against third-quarter profits, which rose after tax and other payments

staff pay and benefit payments said that last year when the had not yet set bonuses for this been maintained, the bank securities arm of the firm year. Salomon's bonus year would have made a \$12 earned a 10 per cent return on runs to the end of September million loss in the quarter.

postal services had been

The suggestion, made by Sir

Bryan Nicholson, PO chair-

man, is the first time that the

Post Office has publicly put

forward a concrete proposal

on the monopoly price level

since John Major announced

in the citizen's charter in July

for posting a letter with a firm

competing with the Royal

Mail would come "much

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the PO Users National Coun- hold. cil, the industry's watchdog,

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Compete at 50p

a letter, says PO

THE government should re- would be "no big bang" for the

duce the monopoly threshold PO, and while he would not

for letter posting initially to put a government figure on 50p, the Post Office suggested the monopoly threshold, he

yesterday, with the option of said: "Our aim is to reduce it

cutting it further once the until it reaches the minimum

impact of the reduction on level that is necessary to allow

that the present £1 minimum reviewed to see its effect on

Since then, the PO and the competition, he gave a warn-

trade department have been in ing that it would be wrong if

regular discussions on the any group were penalised in

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gives the Royal Mail a monop- result of giving an advantage

oly on handling letters. A to any other group, "however

lower charge will expose the vociferous they may be".

Post Office to competition. Some potential private couri-

conference, he said there Mail would be unpopular.

obligations."

appropriate."

From Philip Robinson in New York The bank is renowned on

Salomon staff face

pay cut to help

Wall Street for routinely paying multimillion-dollar bo- five years. nuses to executives, and He said said: "Our pay for Warren Buffett, the new chair-performance philosophy will man, says some of these had profits performance.

from \$79 million to \$85 described Salomon's pay structure as "irrational in Had the previous year's certain crucial respects". He equity - far below the average Salomon Brothers has cut American business — 106 the total cost of its compensation and benefits by 58 per lion or more. And when group cent from \$509 million to profits were flat, total pay \$212 million and says that jumped by more than \$120

the Post Office to meet its

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throwing caution to the wind,

and proposed a step-by-step

approach: "After an initial

reduction, perhaps to 50p,

new entrant activity could be

customers as a whole, and

further reductions made if

While he said there was

strong support for choice and

Sir Bryan told the con-

to pay a greater proportion of which must be held for at least

undoubtedly cause some man-The bank expects to have to been paid irrespective of agers to leave... Were an any out at least \$200 million whether executives had abnormal number of people to in fines and other penalties, a contributed significantly to leave the firm, the results would not necessarily be bad. In a statement to sharehold- In the end, we must have ers yesterday, Mr Buffett people to match our principles, not the reverse.

A spokesman for Salomon said last night that the bank while its financial year matches the calendar. Salomon staff usually know the extent of bonuses by this

The bank is being investigated by four government agencies and faces almost 40 legal actions after admitting unlawful dealings in eight American Treasury bond auc-tions between last December

JP Morgan

goes to

school in

the City

By Neil Bennett

BANKING CORRESPONDENT

ROBIN Leigh-Pemberton, the

governor of the Bank of

England, officially opened the

new London headquarters of

JP Morgan in the former City

The American investment

bank's new building is an

emphatic commitment to the

City. Four years and £400 million were spent redeveloping the school. The bank has

recouped £220 million by

selling 52.5 per cent of the lease to Sumitomo, the Japa-

The focus of the building is

the marble great hall, built in

1881. The front of the building

is listed and may not be altered, though every room

now has a new purpose. The headmaster's study has be-

The rear has been rebuilt to

house a 280-seat dealing

room. In all, 1,000 staff will be

housed in an area of 450,000

come a dining room.

of London School.

nese bank.

and May. It claims to have made very little profit from the deals. Of a total \$19.7 million made in eight auctions, only \$3.3 million to \$4.6 million was made from bids that were

unauthorised Mr Buffett says from what he knows so far, there were only a few employees who behaved "egregionsly". Salomon has sacked Paul

Mozer, its chief Treasury bond trader, who had collected \$11 million in pay and bonuses in three years to 1990, and Thomas Murphy, his deputy. Four other top executives, including John Gutfreund, Mr Buffett's predecessor, have resigned. Salomon shares were un-changed at \$26.125 in early

trading on Wall Street yesterday but climbed \$1.375 on Monday shortly before Salomon took what its staff described as the unconventional step of releasing its quarterly figures as copy for a double-page spread advertisement in three prominent newspapers. This was about 15 hours before they were generally available to US investors via the New York

Ministers have not made ers have been lobbying both Stock Exchange. A spokesman for the bank their views clear, although the PO and the government both the trade department and hard on the monopoly thressaid: "We took ads in the New The government intends to nal and the Washington Post were made aware of the create a new regulator for the because we wanted to say what contents of Sir Bryan's state- PO, already dubbed "Offpost" we wanted to say. We delivered the copy to the New York ment well in advance of his along the lines of similar making it yesterday at a regulators for BT, British Gas Times at 6pm last night. The action was cleared with the

Also at the conference, the lawyers." UCW communications union Salomon's profit figures Edward Leigh, industry released the results of a Mori were running in London well minister, confirmed the grad- poll carried out for the union before American investors ualist approach proposed by which it said showed that had woken up and before the the PO. Speaking at the same privatisation of the Royal | 9.30am start to trading in New

being forced to consider new

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collapse of the financial "bub-

showing parent company sales

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and to introduce interactive

systems into the living rooms

of Japan's video-addicted



By MARTIN WALLER

TWO of the unsuccessful bid- operating profit" from the takeover rules an approach ders in the independent television franchise round. Thames TV and Television South West Holdings, have unveiled financial figures that show the scars of the advertising downturn in the industry. Thames has reported a

£4.04 million loss before tax, against profits of £10.3 million last time, and slashed the interim dividend from 5.15p to 2.5p. The group is blaming heavy expenditure on programmes transmitted and sold, which rose from £77.4 million to £91.5 million.

This was largely an accident of timing, said Derek Hunt, the finance director, as four substantial drama series were transmitted during the first half, the costs of all of which

have to be taken immediately. They would be offset in the second half by strong pro-

final six months of the year. Net advertising revenue fell level at which Thorn offered 8.3 per cent during the first to buy shares in February. half, and there was an additional impact from the Gulf war on revenue and the costs of Independent Television

industry watchdog.

that it may eventually latinch

would have to be at the 250p Thames shares fell 4p to 197p yesterdav. Thames plans to continue

as an independent producer. TV South West has yet to state Richard Dunn, the chief its future course, but it has executive, said Thames would announced pre-tax profits be maximising future earnings down from £4.7 million to for shareholders as the fran- £146,000 in the 12 months to chise expired. This is likely to end-July. The reported figure mean the cancellation of some would have been three times local programming, aithough as large, said Sir Brian Bailey, the broadcaster will keep to its the chairman, but for the cost contractual minimum level of mounting the franchise bid.

agreed with the Independent The company, which has Television Commission, the changed its financial year end, is paying a 2p second interim Thorn EMI owns almost 59 dividend as well as a 0.77p per cent of Thames TV, and special payout. It plans a 3p there has been speculation final, which will give a 7p total for the 17 months to enda bid for the minority shares. December, maintaining divi-The market does not believe dend payments at their gramme sales, and Thames is a buyout will come previous levels despite the forecasting "a substantial immediately, as under City profits downturn.

### Whisky bid is finely balanced

By MARTIN BARROW

THE takeover battle for Invergordon Distillers, which closes at 1pm today, appeared finely balanced last night after Whyte & Mackay claimed to speak for 41.5 per cent, but parties considered supportive of the board mopped up more than I million shares.

Robert Fleming, the merchant bank advising Invergordon, and de Zoete & Bevan acquired 656,000 and 434,000 shares respectively at the offer Mackay dismissed the purchases as "a spoiling tactic".

per cent of Invergordon while BZW Investment Management holds about 1.5 per cent. Whyte & Mackay increased its own shareholding to 39.2 per cent and confirmed that it had received acceptances in respect of 2.3 per cent for its cash offer of 275p, giving it control over 41.5 per cent.

# Hello Tosh — Time Warner gets a Toshiba link-up in deal worth \$1bn

From Joanna Pitman

TOSHIBA Corporation, one of Japan's most conservative industrial groups, has succumbed to the starry lights of Hollywood. With C Itoh, Japan's largest trading company, Toshiba has announced a \$1 billion investment in a new entertainment company that will control the film and television production and distribution, cable system operations and cable programming of Time Warner.

The investment in Time Warner, whose chairman is Steven Ross, is conspicuous for its caution in comparison with the acquisitive approach of two rival Japanese electronic companies. When Sony Corporation bought Columbia Pictures in September 1989, it paid \$3.4 billion. Last December, Matsushita Electric purchased MCA, the parent of billion. Both paid for outright control and entertained vimagic of Hollywood.

to make a cash injection on the scale of the Sony and the risks on the fortunes of lavish Matsushita deals. silver Hiroshi Nakada, an elec- profits.

tronics industry economist at

synergy between hardware as America's second-largest hungry for American software. differ between Toshiba and and software that Sony and Matsushita reputedly sought Toshiba is predicting future film library." The Toshiba electronics rivals.



Looking to Japan: Steven Ross, of Time Warner evidently did not appeal to the growth in Japan. Toshiba is chief executives of Toshiba and C Itoh.

While they may have en-Universal Studios, for \$6.1 joyed Warner's Batman, all Japan's electronics giants, which took Tokyo by storm, most Toshiba men have trasions of cross-fertilising the ditionally been more ingenius of Japanese electronic terested in the inner workings engineers with the artistic of nuclear reactors and semiconductors than dramas from According to reports in Japan, Time Warner, which has \$8.7 billion debts, tried to persuade Toshiba and C Itoh Tinseltown. Their finely negowithout their having to take silver screen epics for their

Unlike its rivals, Toshiba is Long Term Credit Bank, said: not interested in much more than a loose link with cludes advances in high-defiperate for cash. Its new Japanese partners will not see dividends for some time."

Image a loose link with divides attvances in aign-gen-inton television, with Time cautious and limited nature of Warner's abilities to develop the software. Mr Nakada said: with C Itoh, reflects the extent But the kind of ill-defined tap Time Warner's experience

alliance with C Itoh is unusual. Toshiba is tied into the Mitsui Group, one of the original industrial combines or zaibatsu that have existed since before the war on the basis of mutual cross-shareholdings between member companies.

The Mitsui Group includes Mitsui Bussan, one of C Itoh's biggest trading rivals. In a nation where the fiercely competitive zaibatsu still exert enormous influence on corporate relationships, such a blatant breaking of allegiances is remarkable.

Both companies are well positioned for the near term future. Joichi Aoi, Toshiba's president, believes that consumer electronics, the core business of both Sony and Matsushita, has been going through a decline. Few believe this trend will be reversed for some time. At Toshiba, consumer products account for 20 per cent of sales, as opposed to 40 per cent at Matsushita and growth and the effects of the 80 per cent at Sony.

Toshiba's engineers are ble" economy, Last week, it published half-year figures forging ahead with new developments in its traditional semiconductors, electronics and computing profit down 62.6 per cent.

Toshiba intends to develop the cable television business billion (£1.1 billion) for the current fiscal year and Y272 development

society. Yesterday's tie-up will While Toshiba would have marry C Itoh's and Toshiba's had little difficulty in raising hardware expertise, which inpurchase of Time Warner, the "Both Japanese companies are to which corporate values

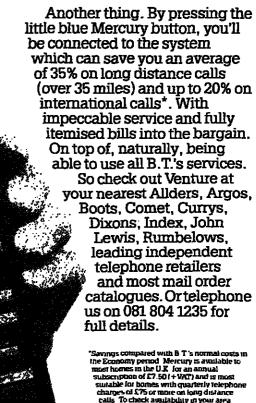


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### SmithKline Beecham still finds the going tough

SMITHKLINE Beecham has cut its gearing from 100 per cent to 56 per cent so far in 1991, and is on target to bring it down to 50 per cent by the end of the year.

The company continues to improve trading margins. In the third quarter to end-September, these rose by 1.2 percentage points to 22.6 per cent, and Robert Bauman chief executive, is pleased that earnings momentum is being maintained.

But the group has not yet addressed the gap between its Siamese share twins, the American-British holding remains 60:40, the equity units are not yet included in Standard & Poor's 500 index, and analysts focus on sales, not profits.

That said, third-quarter pre-tax profits, at £252 million against £218 million, were flattered by a £12 million lawsuit part payment, and sales strength in pharmaceuticals has been eroded by weakness in con-

Overall sales growth at comparable exchange rates was 4 per cent in the third quarter, compared with 5 per cent in the first and 6 per cent in the second. Trading conditions remain tough in several markets, so pre-tax profits forecasts remain at £1 billion (£860 million) for the year to end-December. That puts the shares, up 12p at 756p, on a prospective mul-

tiple of 15.9. Until there is hard evidence that the company is getting close to its sales growth target of 8 to 10 per cent, the shares will not be aggressively bought.

### Macarthy

MACARTHY effectively surrendered its independence the day it recom-mended an offer by Lloyds Chemist But having determined that its days are numbered it becomes more difficult to establish who the eventual executor will be -

and on what terms. Shareholders cannot claim



Pleased at momentum: Robert Bauman, of SB

a lack of choice. They may accept an all-shares offer by Grampian Holdings, which has become the target of almost hysterical attacks by Macarthy, or they can await the outcome of a monopolies commission enquiry in the hope that either Unichem or Lloyds Chemists may renew their offers.

A third option is to sell in the market and lock into the current price of 271p. Prebid, the shares traded at around 160p and if the Grampian offer lapses the downside is considerable.

Macarthy has been contesting bids since mid-May and it is hard to accept that business has not suffered. It failed to issue a profit fore-

cast in its defence even though its year-end is September 30, raising doubts about its recent perform-

The MMC has seized the chance to consider not just the bid but the whole issue of pharmaceutical distribution. Even if Lloyds, Macarthy's preferred choice, is allowed to re-bid there could be strings attached that would reduce the attraction. Grampian's offer values

Macarthy at 285p a share, against Lloyds' mostly paper bid, which was worth 306p at its peak. Cautious investors should sell in the market but Grampian's paper will appeal to the longer-term STOCK MARKET

# Spotlight turns on supermarkets. as price war starts building up

Invergordon was steady at

265p with Kleinwort Benson,

the broker, continuing to bid

275p a share for stock. Today

is the deadline for Whyte &

Mackay's bid and it looks like

being a closely run affair. Shares in the 12 electricity

distributors in England and

Wales were generally easier in

line with the market. Smith

New Court, the broker, has

produced a study, advising a

review of the institutions

Although a long-term buyer

of the sector generally, SNC

highlights the potential of

Yorkshire, down 3p at 284p,

Southern, off 4p at 249p,

Midlands, unchanged at 258p.

portfolios.

THE supermarket chains were back under the City spotlight amid claims that the food price war has intensified with margins continuing to be eroded. This time, it seems the supermarkets' suppliers have added to their woes by cutting prices in an effort to boost their own sales.

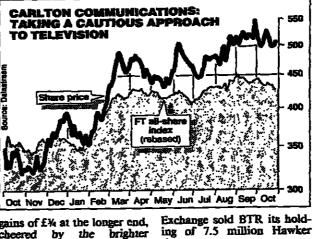
Heinz of America started the ball rolling by reducing the price of its baked beans and other tinned foods. Mars, the big American confectionery group, has also decided to cut the price of several brands of pet foods. Dealers believe that British food suppliers may soon be forced to follow.

Hillsdown, 2p dearer at 202p, and Dalgety, 1p cheaper at 380p, are regarded as being the most vulnerable to increased competition. Analysts say that pressure is now growing on the retailers to cut their prices, putting more pressure on margins.

There were falls for Tesco, 6p to 230p, Morrison Super-markets, 2p to 285p, Iceland Frozen Foods, 4p to 396p, and Kwik Save, 7p to 564p. J Sainsbury was another weak market, losing 13p to 331p with one broker said to be urging its clients to switch to the rival Argyll, 3p lighter at 273p. Dealers said the Sainsbury price had also been depressed by a line of 2.5 million shares going through the market at 329½p. Sainsbury is due to report its

interim figures next week. Meanwhile, hopes that the rest of the equity market could extend Monday's sharp gains proved short-lived. An early mark-up of almost 20 points failed because of lack of support. The CBI industrial trends survey showed business confidence growing but carried the warning that the recovery was still in the early

The FT-SE 100 index eventually closed 5.2 lower at 2.553.3 with the turnover of 563 million shares swollen by BTR now speaks for 7 per several large placings. Gov- cent.



gains of £% at the longer end,

outlook 19p to 763p after third-quarter figures showing profits climbing from £218 million to £252 million. Glaxo, which last week received approval from the American Food and Drug Administration to market

Northern Foods, the newest member of the FT-SE 100, is finally showing signs of running out of steam after its recent celebratory run, with the price falling 13p to 534p. The speculation persists that Northern is vised to pay Grand Metropolitan, down 6p at 845p, about £250 million

Imigran, its anti-migraine drug, in an injectable form, made headway again. The shares, in their new, slimmeddown form, jumped 27p to 787p, helped by American

for Express Dairy.

BTR, down 4p at 390p, has stepped up the pressure in its £1.5 billion battle for Hawker Siddeley, 3p firmer at 724p, with the purchase of more shares. It has bought 1.09 million at up to 719p. This brings the total purchased to 10.3 million, or 5.2 per cent.

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etial... 220 1725% 29 2% 5 9% 240 4% 14 1710% 14 19 260 1% 6% 9% 28 28 31



Green: franchise hopes Benson, which remains a strong buyer of the sector.

363p on confirmation that its controversial, £432 million rights issue had been a flop Hillsdown and BAe fundraising exercises, all eyes will now be on the £350 million rights issue from Asda, the

says the shares are a sell. But with house prices remaining static and little prospect of buying cheap land, margins are almost certain to be squeezed.

Norweb, 2p higher at 270p, East Midlands, ip ahead at 251p and Manweb, ip cheaper at 297p. Alistair Buchanan, an electricity analyst at SNC, believes the political and regulatory risks that have held the sector back this year are discounted

at current prices. The companies should be underwriters. able to hold price increases next spring to below the maximum permissible and so satisfy the regulator, while still providing real growth in divi-

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British Aerospace fell 6p to After the failure of the

George Wimpey firmed 3p to 161p. But Nikko Securities, Mark Hake, an analyst, says the group needs to build up its housebuilding operations.

troubled supermarket chain. Shares of Asda slipped 11/2p to 38½p as a line of 9 million shares went through the market. By the close of business, 23 million shares had changed hands. There is growing concern that the bulk of its issue will be left with the

Marks and Spencer fell 8p to 275p before the half-year figures today. Gestetner, the office equipment group, tumbled 26p to 158p as the group dends of 6 to 8 per cent next gave warning that profits in year and beyond, he says, the current year to October These views also continue to will fail to match expectations. be echoed by rival Kleinwort TV-am, the independent tele-

rose 3p to 102p. The company's deputy managing direc-tor, Tony Vickers, has been appointed director of group sales and marketing for BSkyB. His 30-strong sales team at TV-am will take on the responsibility of selling BSkyB's airtime. Thames Television, which

has just lost the Landon weekday franchise to Carlton Communications, where Michael Green is the chairman, fell 4p to 187p as the company dropped into the red. The group has reported an interim pre-tax loss of £4 million, against a profit for the corresponding period of £10.3 million. The company blamed a drop in advertising revenues. The second half is expected to see a recovery.

Carlton saw analysts this week to detail its plans for its London weekday franchise. The group will have to spend £100 million between now and January 1993, but stressed this was not risk money and that its business plan saw profits in the first year and full pay-back by end-1996. The company does not intend becoming involved in high-risk productions and will only undertake projects which have been previously commissioned

Talks continue with LWT, the incumbent and successful London weekend franchiseholder, about the sharing of facilities, but no deal has been reached yet. Carlton strengthened 5p to 510p.

Psion, the hand-held computer group, jumped 12p to 64p on learning that its new computer range Series 3 had won an award in America. The group now has plans to substantially increase production above the current level of

4,000 units per month.

British Thornton was requoted on the big board at i Ip after a three-week suspension after several acquisitions and a rights issue. The shares were previously quoted on the

MICHAEL CLARK

that the

### Half-time loss for Acorn Computer

A SHORTFALL in education expenditure, destocking and higher interest costs took their toll at Acorn Computer, the USM micro-computer maker in which Olivetti has an 80 per cent stake.

Acorn slid into the red with a pre-tax loss of £420,000 in the six months to end-June, compared with a £42,000 profit, Sales fell 19,2 per cent to £17.8 million. There is a loss per share of 0.6p (earnings of 0.1p). Once again, there is no interim dividend.

### Radamec profit

Radamec Group made a pre-tax profit of £56,000 in the first half of this year (loss of £78,000) in spite of turnover falling from £6.09 million to £5.65 million. Earnings per share were 0.3p (loss of 0.4p). Once again, there is no interim dividend. Radamec expects to remain profitable in the second half.

### **Bradford rises**

Bradford Property Trust reports a 7.3 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £11.2 million for the six months to October
5. The interim dividend is increased to 2p (1.7p), matching the increase in earnings

### Order for Racal

Racal-Datacom, a subsidiary of the Racal Electronics group facing a £700 million hostile bid from Williams Holdings, has won a £1 million managed modern network order from Posten, the Swedish post

### Coats' sell-off

Coats Viyella is continuing its refocusing with the disposal of the Tootal Apparel and Tootal Fashion divisions of Tootal Clothing to their management

### FT-SE 100 VOLUMES

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Anglian	648	Courtaulds	238	M&S	2,412		8,6
ASDA	23,871	Enterprise	1,020	Maxwell Cm	175		4
AB Foods	245	Eurotunnel	376	MEPC;	293	Scot Power	2,3
Argyll	3,531	Fisons	818	Midland	2.282		3,2
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BIR	3,018	Glaxo	7,359	Nthn Foods	969		3,2
BAT	1,043	Grand Met	1,420	P&O	1,407	Sun Altrice	2,1
Barclays	3,106	GUS 'A'	197	Pearson	57	Tarmac	1,7
Bass	411	GRE	1,494	Pakington	2.013	Tate Lyle	1,1
BICC	496	Guinness	2.821	PowerGen	896		6.2
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### **MAJOR INDICES**

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Macintosh I 5 Mb, 105 Mb HD and 13" color

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good for stocks." ☐ Tokyo — Prices closed firmer, with the Nikkei index ending above 25,000 for the first time in a week. The Nikkei was up 238.89 points. or 0.96 per cent, to 25,140.61. However, brokers said the gains came mostly at the opening on Wall Street's overnight jump and arbitrage buying.

☐ Frankfurt — Strong demand for car shares and an increasing belief that most prices have seen their lows lifted shares. The Dax index rose 13.94 points to 1,590.75. Sydney - The market held early gains to close sharply higher in line with strengthening world markets and on hopes of a further fall in inflation. The all-ordinaries index closed 8.9 points higher at 1,651.7 in thin volume.

Hong Kong — Shares, up and down like a yo-yo throughout the day, ended firmer. The Hang Seng index ended 11.45 points up at 4,000.05, well down from a daytime high of 4,020.60.

Singapore — The market ended higher but off the day's high as profit-taking took place in the late afternoon. The Straits Times industrial index rose 3.2 points to 1,405.76. (Reuter) (Reuter)

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### BAe puts on a brave face

sir Graham Day, chairman of British Acrospace, put as brave a face as possible on the complete failure of the group's rights issue yesterday. The company has its money, after all, and sentiment was set against the issue right at the start by the confusion and uncertainty caused by the boardroom coup that ousted Professor Sir Roland Smith. Hectic lobbying of shareholders by Dick Evans, the chief executive, and finance director Dudley Eustace, backed by the comforting figure of Sir Graham, has already helped restore longer-term confidence among some of the most outraged institutions. Only a late general rise in share prices would, however, have persuaded underwriting shareholders to subscribe rather than acquire their extra shares by the back door. The prophesy of failure was self-fulfilling, keeping BAe shares below the rights price.

Management has the strongest of motivations for helping shareholders to recoup at least some of their losses, to persuade them not to welcome prowiers on the look-out for loose stock. The strongest card has been Mr Evans plain assertion: "We will not come back with any more cash calls". This is full of meaning for investors to whom the main attraction of BAe shares is their rare 9 per cent dividend yield. Sir Graham has committed his board to living within its means, which requires a fundamental change of outlook for a company still undercapitalised in comparison with its most important

Consolidation rather than adventure is the priority. Peripheral assets will be sold. Operational management will concentrate on cutting stocks and work in progress in the core defence, aircraft and Rover car businesses. Any-thing that looks like absorbing cash will, if possible, be shunted into a joint venture, with the satellite and regional airliner businesses at the top of the list. French companies are Mr Evans' most favoured partners.

despite their reputation for never being equal partners.

The implications for the long-term future of BAe can only be guessed. BAe's strategy, set under Sir Roland and presented when the issue was announced, has not apparently changed. Indeed, it has been set in concrete. The interpretation may well prove quite different as ambition takes a back seat. BAe's main businesses have scope to generate cash and much bigger profits than ever before after the rationalisation programme, which will eventually save costs on a dramatic scale. If, and when they do, on the back of recovery in their main markets, BAe shares would look a bargain at today's depressed price. Whether BAe will remain a world leader at the end of this process is quite another question.

### Trying harder

The high street banks may seem like monolithic dictators to the small businessman whose finances have been roughly handled, but they too have their weaknesses. Their vulnerability is their intense rivalry, which has forced them into costly mistakes in the past, but now seems to be winning a better deal for all small businesses. Norman Lamont exploited this rivalry last July when he asked banks to draw up individual codes of conduct to answer the barrage of criticism about their inadequate service to small businesses during the recession. By shrewdly calling for separate codes, instead of imposing a single one devised by the Treasury, Mr Lamont turned the small business debate into a competitive issue. Confidential documents from Barclays show how

hard it is working to better its neighbours.

The most notable feature of the bank's draft code, which will be launched next month, is its decision to send its 750,000 small business customers a breakdown of all the commission and interest charges ten days before the end of each quarter. This gives businessmen a week and a half to argue over any charges before, rather than after, they are debited. This makes Barclays' code rather more attractive than the one from Midland launched two weeks ago, although it falls short of demands from small business pressure groups for a service contract between banks and businesses. The new service will cost Barclays' £3 million a year, although the bank is not planning to make any additional charge on customers. The banks may be high-handed and insensitive to their customers as Sir Gordon Borrie, director general of the Office of Fair Trading, claimed last week, but they are certainly sensitive about the activities of their rivals.

# British and US pessimists rush in as recession ends

Anatole Kaletsky

argues that fears of a

"double dip"

side of the Atlantic are

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recession on either

conomics is aprly called the dismal science. The recession of 1990-1, a misfortune confined exclusively to the Anglo-Saxon countries, is over. In America, the end of the recession was officially confirmed vesterday with the announcement of annualised growth of 2.4 per cent in thirdquarter gross national product: In Britain, too, output has almost certainly stopped falling, judging by yesterday's upbeat survey of busi-ness confidence from the Confederation of British Industry. But instead of celebrating the end of the last recession, economists on both sides of the Atlantic are asking whether the next one is about to begin. In America, financial and busi-

ness circles are rife with talk of a "double dip", similar to the sudden fall in 1982 after a short-lived recovery from the Iranian oil crisis. President Bush's political advisers make no secret of their concern that a weak economy next year might undermine his re-election chances, despite opinion polls that put him further ahead than any president in modern times. Their anxieties appear justified.

In Britain, where the end of the recession has not been officially confirmed (third-quarter figures are due on November 19), worries about next year seem even better founded, although less widely expressed. Britain and America share many of the same structural handicaps, including excessive debt burdens, low productivity growth, falling personal wealth and underinvestment in manufacturing. The British economy also faces more immediate problems - very high real interest rates, a challenging exchange rate and the prospect of weakening demand in Germany, its main export market. To make matters worse, there is the political uncertainty created by the general election and the threat to sterling from the looming confrontation between the Bundesbank's 2 per cent inflation target and the German

unions' 12 per cent pay demands. Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, is unlikely to refer to any of these worries when he delivers the Treasury's latest economic forecasts in next month's autumn statement. This does not mean that his probable prediction of economic growth in the 2 per cent range is unrealistic. When Mr Lamont predicts a recovery next year, rather than a renewed recession, he is likely to be proved right. The question that economists and politicians should be asking is whether the recovery will be strong enough to cut un-employment, stave off more bankruptcies and satisfy the electorate. Such questions are being asked in America today. Despite talk of

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WHICH WAY FOR THE BIG DIPPER?

double-dip recessions, the real concern in Washington is about a recovery that is too sluggish to raise living standards, control unemployment and revive investment. The Democrats are not banking on an outright recession to defeat President Bush. They hope to embarrass him with another statistic. Even if the economy grows 3 per cent next year, they say, the average annual growth rate during the four years of the Bush administration will have been only 1.4 per cent, the lowest of any president since the second world war.

But fears of a double-dip recession on either side of the Atlantic are unfounded mainly because recessions rarely occur without encouragement from the government.

nce an economy starts growing, the natural dynamics of rising business leading to stock-building and incomes and more consumption -tends to keep the economic engine ticking over, unless monetary or fiscal policy is abruptly tightened or the economy runs into an inflationary crisis. In America's doubledip recession of 1982, this is precisely what happened, when inflation jumped to 13 per cent and the Fed raised short-term interest rates to 20 per cent. The critical role of confidence in the initial stages of

recovery is one reason why the Treasury is right to consider the findings of forward-looking surveys like the CBI's more significant than some of the backward-looking economic statistics. It is also a reason why the British economy, in which business and consumer confidence have risen rapidly this year, may appear to be on firmer footing than that in America, where consumers remain depressed.

Fortunately for the Americans, their economic recovery has a more powerful force behind it than consumer psychology. Essentially, the American economy is going to recover because of extremely low interest rates and a highly competitive currency. American interest rates, at 5½ per cent, are at their lowest level for 15 years and the dollar is near the all-time lows set six months ago. The fact that the American economy remains stuck in near-recession, despite this monetary stimulus, is symptomatic of the gloom among consumers and the structural weaknesses of American industry and finance. Consumer confidence remains low, because real wages and housing wealth have fallen steadily for the last three years. The banks are failing to pass on the benefits of low interest rates to borrowers - the profit margin on a typical home mortgage in America has risen from 2 to 4 per cent or more as banks try to recover the

immense losses they suffered in the property and leveraged buyout crazes of the last decade. Meanwhile, the export boom that accounted for more than half the growth in the American economy since the abrupt devaluation of the dollar in late 1987 has run out of steam.

ut the economy's weakness in the face of low interest rates does not mean that the Fed is "pushing on a string", in the Keynesian phrase. It simply means that the damage done to the economy during the Eighties may now justify much lower interest rates and a much more competitive currency than would have been imaginable ten years ago. If interest rates at 5 per cent do not revive the economy, Mr Greenspan will go on cutting them until adequate growth is achieved. If manufacturers are struggling to maintain their export growth when the dollar is worth DM1.70 and Y130, then the White House and the Fed can simply try to devalue the dollar further.

Given the choice of waiting for a slow "natural" recovery such as that favoured by Mr Lamont and stimulating the economy with falling interest and exchange rates, there is little doubt which way American policymakers are likely to turn. By this time next year the world will be able to judge which was the more successful approach.

### Balancing skill of man and machine

PEOPLE get in the way of new technology, undermining invest-ments that would otherwise dramatically boost profits. A study funded by the Economic and Social Research Council reveals that too many companies can run into difficulties because too few recognise that it is people who have to ultimately work the new machines.

When firms discuss whether to introduce new manufacturing systems, factors such as interest rates and the future of the economy hold sway over the likely impact on the labour pool, the study has found. The result is that many firms find themselves scrambling to recruit skilled staff from outside, while resorting to unscheduled short-term solutions such as raising salaries and overtime payments for those staff able to work the new systems.

Paul Foley, one of the report's authors, said: "A greater emphasis on workforce issues at an early stage may well help to overcome the prob-lems of recruitment difficulties. skills shortages and increased training costs, which appear to be the unexpected by-product of introducing new manufacturing technologies." Rosy futures include a sharp rise

in output, productivity, product quality, and material cost savings for those firms adopting new technol-ogies such as computer-aided design. The findings come from a survey of 52 large engineering firms in the Sheffield area by Dr Foley and Doug Watts, of the University of Sheffield. Preliminary findings are disclosed today at the launch of the council's New Technology and Firm Initia-tive in London. Most studies of this kind have focused on the role of new high-technology industries in regen-erating Britain. This study focuses on traditional manufacturing firms that are introducing new technology.

Just over half of the firms surveyed had introduced new technology in the past three years, with investment sums ranging from a few thousand pounds to £2.4 million, for an average of £275,000. Those adopting new technologies enjoyed an average output growth of about 23 per cent, while growth among those that had not was 7 per cent. Nearly 70 per cent of firms adopting new technologies also reported increased productivity, 61 per cent saw improvements in product quality, while 57 per cent made savings on the costs of materials.

Increases in employment averaging about 8 per cent were also reported among firms adopting new technologies, whereas those who did not showed a 4.6 per cent decline. Firms investing in new manufac-turing systems also claimed they had become more innovative, placing more emphasis on research. On the downside, a third of firms

said use of new technologies had made them dependent on a sole supplier. The main problem was sudden skills shortages, with more than a fifth of firms needing to recruit more skilled staff, and training costs rising at more than a third

NICK NUTTALL Technology Correspondent

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### Cycling the way of de Broë

SOON after taking over as head of business development at Williams de Broë, Philip Darwall-Smith has poached one of Kleinwort Benson's senior investment managers. Robin Walker-Arnott, who led an investment team at KB - and latterly had £200 million under his control - has joined along with team-mate Neil Langley. In so doing, he has been reunited with Charles Perry, another investment manager, who left KB two years ago. Darwall-Smith, who was given the task of winding up Stock Group after the demise of British & Commonwealth, may have had more than simply a new client list in mind. Walker-Amott is a keen cyclist, and his superfit boss, as luck would have it, helps organise the annual London to Brighton cycle event.

### In Tusa's shoes

JOHN Tusa, award-winning head of the BBC World Service, was back in front of the cameras last night to join in a debate on Eastern Europe. The choice was appropriate since not only was Tusa born in Czechoslovakia but his father, John, ran the British operations for Bata, the shoe company, for many years. Bata, which relocated to Canada in 1938, is now buying back into Czechoslovakia with a \$10 million deal, following a icad set by Volkswagen. "I only wore Bata shoes for the first 20 years of my life," says Tusa, a former Newsnight pre-senter. As such, he has something in common with Peter

Ratzer, whose Czech father Cynic's Dictionary of Corhelped Tusa's father run the British plant. Ratzer is group secretary and director of corporate finance at Eurotunnel.

### Dealing a blow

BRIAN Kaye, newly ap-pointed head of Fimat, the London financial futures subsidiary of Société Générale, has scored a direct hit on his rivals at Bank of America. He has signed up Alex Wilkinson as head of Fimat's dealing team at the London International Financial Futures Exchange, and persuaded two colleagues, Jacqueline Hewing and David Usher, to join him. "This is in line with our strategy of becoming a major broker in the shortest possible time," says Kaye, who is just back from Tokyo where, until recently, he ran SocGen's Japanese operations.

Double speak INVESTMENT bankers in America are masters at the art of fobbing off useless queries. Now, some of their tricks have been committed to paper. A guide, Business Babble, A



porate Jargon, makes essential reading for anyone hoping to climb the corporate ladder. A boss's sympathetic "No one is suggesting you are to blame" really means "You are to blame", "I like your idea but we must proceed cautiously," means "You must be joking. Come back in five years",

> "Let's have lunch sometime" means "Get lost." THE new manager of the Leeds building society branch in Hartlepool, Cleveland, is a Mr Lenderyou.

"Didn't we try this once before?" means "No!", and

### Charitable words

SIR Trevor Holdsworth, chairman of National Power, takes time off from his busy schedule next month to attend what is believed to be the first UK business seminar aid of charity. The Roof Garden club in Kensington, west London, is the unlikely venue for discussion on tax, recession and financial markets. The list of executives who had to decline invitations to speak at the event, on November 26, makes intriguing reading: Sir Ian MacLaurin, of Tesco, Sir Derek Birkin, of RTZ, John Banham, of the Confederation of British Industry, Alan Sugar, of Amstrad, and predictably - Sir John Harvey-Jones. "We wrote to them all, but they were too busy," says Dave Shilingis, a director of Interfax Systems, the organiser, which is hoping to raise £60,000 for Children Nationwide, a charity which funds research into children's

### Share price and herd instinct any clients who took his

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# Retirement homes come of age

n the past 15 years, purpose-built private retirement housing has grown to meet the demand from older people looking for secure, troublefree accommodation. More than 35,000 retirement homes have been built, according to the New Homes Marketing Board, which provides a list of housebuilders offering retirement homes and

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sheltered housing.

The reputation the sector has earned for well-planned homes has occasionally been sullied by complaints about management and maintenance charge levels. So the National House-Building Council has devised a code of practice for shehered housing

The code, mandatory for all housebuilders registered with the NHBC, aims to ensure that potential buyers gets detailed information about the procedures for management decisions and costs. A council official says: "It is important that would-be buyers and residents know precisely what they are buying, how much it will

cost and how any charges are

calculated and reviewed."

A further development in the market has been the formation of an association of professional retirement property managers. The Association of Retirement Housing Managers, which will start operations next week, is the result of two years' research by leading companies providing management for up to 100,000 residents of privately owned retireLeading companies have formed an association of professional retirement property managers, Christopher Warman reports

The association believes that retirement home buyers have become more discerning in their choice of a home for their retirement years and in the expectation of the management and services from their professional managers. Accordingly, the association's aim will be to provide them with

industry and to investigate complaints against members..
The English Courtyard Association, which has built 19 courtyard developments since 1976, is refining its cottage and flat designs to make them as accommodating as possible for people with physical disabilities. The company

the high standard they expect, to

of Noel Shuttleworth, its founder. a courtyard plan, reflecting such raditionally protected environ-ments as college quadrangles and medieval almshouses; the loca-tion, with each scheme set in landscaped grounds within minutes of a village or small town centre; the quality of design and workmanship, and the emphasis on care-free living.

promote quality and ethics in the Aware that many residents increasingly have trouble getting about, Mr Shuttleworth this year engaged as a consultant John Hick, a former cavalry officer paralysed from the waist down. After staying in new developments, he has been able to recommend improvements for incorporation in maintains the four basic principles future designs.

Farm conversion: some of the Beechcroft homes developed from 18th-century buildings in Cerne Abbas

Beechcroft Developments, another firm at the top end of the market, included in its scheme at Alton, Hampshire, a swimmingpool, which is an unusual feature for retirement homes. Guy Mossop, of Beechcroft, says: "We are convinced this is the right approach."

Beechcroft's latest scheme is in Cerne Abbas, Dorset. A group of nine 18th-century farm buildings is being converted and 15 cottages built in grounds that include meadows and a stream.

As with its other developments

Woodstock, Oxfordshire, and at Alton, the prices for two, three and four-bedroom properties range from £100,000 to £225,000. The Carltons, the latest scheme

of the Secure Group of Bristol, is in the heart of Wells, Somerset, near the mosted Bishop's Palace. The development includes Carlton Court, 32 retirement apartments, partly in a new block and partly in a stone-built former textile factory. The two-bedroom apartments cost between £89,950 and £135,000. Hays Park, in Shaftesbury, Dorset, has 16 retirement apartments

in the grounds of the 18th-century Hays House, now a nursing home Ronald Clarkson, of Park Healthcare, aims to provide spacious accommodation, with drawing rooms of up to 370 sq ft, and fitted cupboards and box rooms in each apartment. He has sold eight of the apartments in the past four months. Prices range from £92,500 for one bedroom to £139,000 for two bedrooms, on 125-year leases, or from £74,000 to £112,000 on refundable life-occupancy leases.

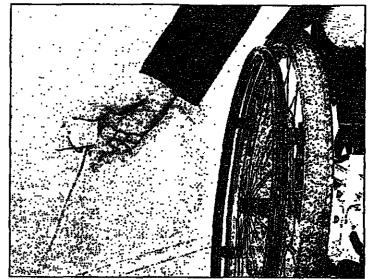
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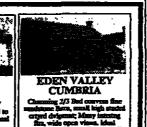
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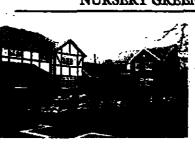
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# Bargain prices tempt big business

mpty buildings and cheap rents reflect the difficult times that London Dock lands has suffered for two years, yet the London Docklands Development Corporation has put 15 key Isle of Dogs sites on the

open market in the past month.
These sites are in the enterprise one, which gives the corporation the opportunity to remind developers, investors and occupiers that 100 per cent capital allowances can be claimed by those who have entered into agreements on the sites by April 25 1992.

They range from a 4.2-acre site in East India Dock to the 4,000 sq ft Grade II listed Dockmaster's House in a conservation area. They are suitable for all types of commercial development, leisure, retail, office or, in certain cases, residential, and the corporation points out that developers or funders of these remaining sites will benefit from the existing service infrastructure.

They will have the added advantage of road and rail schemes due to be completed by 1993, and of the London Underground Jubilee line extension, which will be under construction by then.

The enterprise zone occupies 470 acres, including water. So far nearly seven million sq ft of commercial floor space have been completed, and another 13 million sq fi are under construction.

Savills' commercial research department says take-up in the first nine months of this year in Docklands totalled 250,000 sq ft, 80 per cent less than in the

Tax incentives, low rents and quality units are being offered by the London Docklands enterprise zone, Christopher Warman reports

corresponding period of 1990. able in the City and West End."
The largest occupational deal in
1991 has been Pear Marwick's over most of the rest of central take-up of 83,000 sq ft in Olympia & York's Canary Wharf Tower.
Savills accepts that recent pub-London is that it offers the floor size, unit size, quality and variety that large companies require, at licity about the Docklands office rents well below those of the main market has concentrated on the provincial and M25 centres.

low asking rents. At South Quay 3, 210,000 sq ft of high-specification potential tenants for the area may well be those not traditionally office space are on offer through the company at £10 a sq ft.
Altogether, 4.4 million sq ft are
available in the area.
David Clews, of Savills, argues based in central London, but those who have been attracted to the area by the well publicised low level of rents," Mr Clews says. that Docklands cannot be viewed ince March, when South Quay 3 was first marketed in isolation, and that the present state of the City and West End

at £10 a sq ft, Savills has received enquiries totalling markets is inextricably linked to the fortunes of Docklands as an 1.5 million sq ft of demand from a About 29 million sq ft are wide range of businesses, including estimated to be available in central financial services, industry, and London and take-up is at an the professional and insurance sectors. There have been few lettings, however. Mr Clews explains: "Tenants in all markets annual rate of about five million sq ft, so there is a considerable over-supply.
Mr Clews suggests: "This, linked

> For other developers and landlords, the £10 rent has been a spur, forcing them to rethink their terms. Mr Clews says: "The winners are the potential tenants with a wide variety of choice of accommodation at extremely competitive terms. An upturn in the economy and business con-

in London are nervous of making

Docklands, which tenants increas-ingly realise is now an opportunity not likely to remain.

In this uncertain climate, Tar-mac Brookglade Properties has just won the corporation's approval for its 1.5 million sq ft gateway building into Docklands at Heron Quays, completing the master plan for the Isle of Dogs

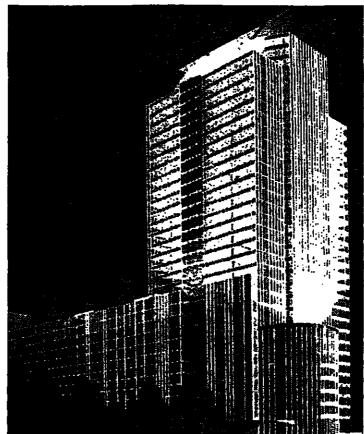
heart of Docklands.

The design for offices, shops, restaurants and public amenities includes a central water park, public areas and a museum of Docklands. Chris Collins, a Tar-mac Brookglade director, says the We believe it is likely that company has pioneered offices in Docklands as well as being the first to promote comprehensive dev-elopment and building involving

> The new building is intended to provide nothing less than a "green, healthy and energy-conscious en-vironment to benefit users and the Docklands environment".

> In a recent deal, Computer People Group has bought Victory House at Cityharbour from the Brunel Centre, a consortium of British Land, the Summit Group and MBO. The group has bought the property for its own occupation, and will have the benefit of 100 per cent enterprise zone capital allowances.

> The deal, at £3.43 million for 12,500 sq ft, shows the advantage of owner-occupation. The cost of repaying the initial loan to buy is equal to half the outgoings of the group's previous rent in central



A drawing of Tarmac Brookglade's proposal for Heron Quays

### IN THE MARKET

☐ International Property Research has started a database containing the names of more than 2,000 decision-makers among European and American investors in commercial property. An IPR spokesman says that the traditional ports of call for European investor information are inadequate. He says that with the advent of the single European market, there is a growing need for independent research into pan-European and international property trends. The level of cross-border significantly over the last few years, the spokesman says, "which we believe is set to accelerate into the 1990s as regulations governing institutions investing

☐ Grade I listed houses in Bedford Square, Bloomsbury London, were refurbished by the Bedford Estates this year to provide offices ranging from 3,600 sq ft to 15,200 sq ft, but the stagnant market has shown that even the best properties are not

their funds overseas are disbanded country by country".

In May they were offered at up to £45 a sq ft. Now Healey & Baker and Chesterton, the joint agents, have reduced the quoting rent to £27.50 in an attempt to translate interest into deals. Peter estates, hopes that the buildings "will prove very attractive to tenants seeking high-quality office

☐ Another substantial reduction comes from Citibank, which has instructed the agents Knight Frank & Rutley and Jones Lang Wootton to reduce the rent of 7 Savoy Court in central London from £41.70 to £19 a sq ft for a new lease expiring in 1995.

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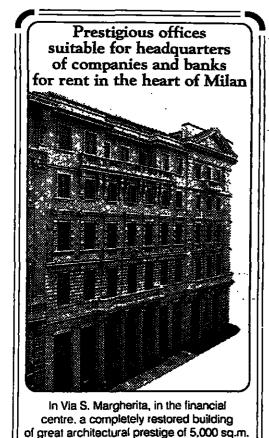
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investing the funds of which they were trustees, could take into account non-financia ethical considerations only in so far as they could do so without icopardising the profitability of investments.

Sir Donald Nicholls, Vice-Chancellor, so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division refusing to make any declaration sought in the deciaration sought in the originating summons issued by the Rt Rev Richard Douglas Harries, Lord Bishop of Oxford, the Ven Michael Bourke, Archdescon of Bedford and the Rev William Whiffen. The defendants were the Church Commissioners and the Attorney-

Mr Timothy Lloyd, QC and Mr Imouny Lioyd, Q. and Mr Launcelot Henderson for the plaintiffs; Mr Robert Walker, QC and Mr Christopher Nugge for the commissioners; Mr

Before Sir Donald Nicholls, vice-Chancellor

[Judgment October 25]

The Church Commissioners, administered vast estates and large funds but the needs which they had to satisfy

needs which they had to satisfy were daunting.

The Church Commissioners, a charity, were effectively the trustees of the fund and respon-sible for its investment policy. The Bishop of Oxford, himself a Church Commissioner, sought certain declarations in relation to the investment policy.

to the investment policy.

The good faith or the investment expertise of the commissioners was not questioned. But the plaintiffs contended that the commissioners fell into legal commissioners fell into legal error by attaching over-riding importance to financial consid-erations and that they ought properly to have in mind that the underlying purpose for which they held their assets was the promotion of the Christian faith through the faith through the Church of

England.
They should accordingly not exercise their investment function in a manner which would be incompatible with that purpose even if it involved a risk of incurring significant financial detriment. They should give weight to ethical considerations, the plaintiffs said. His Lordship said that charity trustees, in common with all

other trustees, were concerned to further the purposes of the trust. To enable them the better to discharge that duty trustees had powers vested in them, among others powers of Where trustees held property

as an investment to generate money, prima facie the purposes of the trust would be best served by the trustees seeking to obtain therefrom the maximum return, whether by way of income or capital growth, which was consistent with commercial prudence

The commissioners' investment policy was set out in their annual report for 1989 and included the statement: "We do not invest in companies whose main business is armaments, ing, alcohol, tobacco and

### Unpaid community charge housing policy challenged

Regina v Forest Heath District Council, Ex parte West and Another

Before Lord Donaldson of Lymington, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Russell and Lord Justice Leggatt [Judgment October 8]

Where a local authority adopted housing policy that save in extenuating circumstances tenancies would not be offered to persons in debt to the authority, including in respect of non-payment of the community charge, and refused accommodation accordingly, leave would be granted to apply for judicial review on the ground that the decision was an abuse of

The Court of Appeal so stated in granting a renewed applica-tion for leave to apply for judicial review, made by David West and Mary Lucas, of Forest Heath District Council's refusel to give them a council tenancy until they had paid their debt to the council in respect of the community charge.

Mr David Watkinson for the applicants; Mr Richard Rundell for the council.

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the applicants had strong grounds for submitting that there was an arguable case that the authority's policy was an abuse of power and unreasonable: see Associated Provincial Picture Houses Ltd v Wednesbury Corporation ([1948] 1 KB 223).

The Local Government Act 1988, they submitted, contained claborate and draconian powers enabling authorities to collect the community charge but did not entitle them to discriminate against those not paying their community charge when it came to performing their functions as

a housing authority.

In collecting the community charge it was the duty of the authority to deal even handedly with all those liable to pay the charge and not to deal differently with those who hap-pened to be in need of housing ting the matter to the High Court, his Lordship added that if on reflection the authority considered that the applicants would or were highly likely to succeed, it might be thought more appropriate to rehouse them rather than to incur all the costs involved in the

Lord Justice Russell and Lord Justice Leggatt agreed. Solicitors: Miller & Co, Cambridge; Mr David W. Burnip, Mildenhall.

### Justifying costs appeal

Reg Smith & Sons (Cheadle)

In order to justify an appeal on costs alone the Court of Appeal must be able to say that the judge had not exercised his discretion or had not exercised that discretion judicially.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Stocker and Lord Justice Woolf)

so held on October 14 when dismissing the appeal of Reg Smith & Sons (Cheadle) Ltd from the order of Judge Ward in Dudley County Court on January 22, 1991 who gave judgment ages incurred to their customers cars and to loss of good trade petrol, against the claim by UK the absence of leave to appeal.

price of petrol supplied but who ordered that there would be no costs on the counterclaim and refused them leave to appeal. LORD JUSTICE WOOLF

said that the appeal related only

to a question of costs which were by law left to the county court indicial discretion. Where no leave to appeal against such an order had been given by the judge there was no right of appeal under section 18(1)(f) of the Supreme Court Act 1981, save for the limited Circumstances considered in Scherer v Counting Instruments
Ltd ([1986] 1 WLR 615) in which the Court of Appeal could exercise its limited discretion to hear an appeal notwithstanding

ethical investment policy and could see nothing in it inconsistent with the promotion of the Caristian faith. They had felt able to excluded those items. Before Mr Justice Millett tent with the promotion of the Caristian faith. They had felt able to excluded those items from their investments despite the conflicting views of the morality of holding those items as investments because there had remained open an adequawidth alternative of

investments.

The approach of the commissioners was not legally incorrect. On the contrary, the approach the plaintiffs wished the commissioners to adopt, namely, investment decisions which entailed taking into account non-financial considerations when that might put investment profits in jeopardy, would involve a departure by missioners from their

legal obligations.

Whether such a departure would or would not be desirable was, or course, not an issue in the proceedings. That was a matter to be pursued, if at all, elsewhere than in court. Solicitors: Bates Wells & Braithwaite; Clifford Chance; Treasury Solicitor.

### Making out race bias case

King v Great Britain China It was for the complainant of

racial discrimination to make out her case before an industrial tribunal who, where there was nation, was then entitled to look to the employer for an explanation as to why the complainant had not been selected for interview. If un-satisfied with that explanation by the employer the tribunal was entitled to say so and then to draw an inference that the discrimination was upon racial

That process of reasoning did not involve a reversal of the burden of proof but was merely a proper balancing of the factors which could be placed in the scales for and against a finding of unlawful discrimination. The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice

Nourse and Sir John Megaw) so held in a reserved judgment on October 11 when allowing the appeal of Karen Lily King against the order of the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Jus-tice Wood, Mr K. Graham and Mrs M. E. Sunderland) on February 5, 1990 allowing an appeal by the Great Britain China Centre from the decision of a London industrial tribunal on August 25, 1988 that Miss King had been discriminated against by the centre on the ground of her race in her application for the post of deputy director.

### Disclosing confidential material

[Judgment October 21]

If it was in the public interest to require confidential informa-tion to be disclosed to the Bank of England in the performance of its supervisory functions under section 1 of the Banking Act 1987, there was at least as great a public interest in disclosure of material to the enquiry set up at the end of July 1991 under the chairmanship of Lord Justice Bingham at the request of the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Governor of the Bank of England.

Mr Justice Millett so held in

the Chancery Division in proceedings brought by Price Waterhouse against BCCI Holdings (Luxembourg) SA and other associated banking

Mr David Oliver, QC and Mr Paul Girolami for Price Waterhouse; Mr Richard M. Sheldon and Ms Susan Prevezer liam Charles and Mr Philip Havers for the Treasury and the Bank of England.

MR JUSTICE MILLETT said that the enquiry had no statutory power to enforce the attendance of witnesses or to compel the production of documents. Its proceedings were in

private.

Price Waterbouse had been asked to submit evidence, together with copies of supporting documents. It was anxious to comply with that request and considered that it had a public duty to cooperate, but most of its possession was confidential to BCCI, some was counteental
to BCCI, some was covered by
legal professional privilege and
much of it by banking
confidentiality owed by BCCI to its customers, a duty 10 which Price Waterhouse was likewise

Other material and information was derived from its role in giving financial advice to the controlling shareholders of BCCI and was confidential to them. BCCI wished to see in advance any evidence which Price Waterhouse intended to present, with a view to giving or withholding its consent. That process would go far towards vitiating the confidentiality of the enquiry, and the speed and effectiveness of its procedures.

Whereas legal professional privilege was normally an answer to compulsory disclosure, confidentiality only afforded protection against voluntary disclosure without the consent of the person to whom the duty of confidentiality was owed. Had the enquiry been set up under the Tribunals of Enquiry and Evidence Act 1921 it could have compelled disclosure of confidential information, but

not of material covered by legal professional privilege.

The enquiry being non-statu-tory had to rely solely on the voluntary cooperation of wit-nesses. The public interest in maintaining confidentiality.

maintaining confidentiality might be outweighed by some countervalling public interest in disclosure, and the latter was not limited to the public interest in detecting or preventing wrongdoing see Attorney-gen-eral v Guardian Newspapers (No 2) ([1990] 1 AC 109, 214, 268, 282). After further consideration of

the two conflicting public interests, his Lordship said that he the competing interests to be easy. In all the cases cited in which the public interest in favour of disclosure had prevailed it had been either for the detection or prevention of wrongdoing the prevention of a miscarriage of justice or the If those who set up

enquiry had thought that the public interest required all relevant material to be made avail-able, they could have set it up under the 1921 Act. No doubt there were good reasons for not

doing so.

Where the information was confidential, the choice whether to volunteer it ought prima facie to rest with the person to whom the duty of confidentiality was owed, rather than with the

terest in disclosure ought to prevail, because there was an important public interest in the effective regulation and supervision of authorised banking institutions and the protection of densities.

of depositors.

In section 39 of the Banking Act 1987, Parliament had chosen to accord greater weight to that public interest than to the maintenance of the duty of confidentiality, including bank-ing confidentiality and even legal professional privilege. If it was in the public interest

to require confidential informa-tion to be disclosed to the Bank of England to enable it to carry out its supervisory functions, there was at least as great a public interest in the disclosure of such information to an enquiry set up to review the Bank's past performance of its statutory functions, provided that dissemination of such information was no wider in the

latter case than would be authorised in the former case. That was given statutory recognition in section 83 of the 1987 Act. The distinction between documents obtained by the Bank in performing its functions and those which it ought to have obtained but had failed to obtain was

The subject matter of the enquiry was at a level at once Lovell White Durrant; Treasury

banking transactions than was involved in routine supervision and it was less likely that details of particular accounts would require to be identified, and the occasions when banking confidentiality was invaded were likely to be fewer and less

The enquiry had undertaken to respect confidentiality where it could properly do so. The extent to which confidentiality would be invaded would depend upon the judgment of respon-sible persons at several different

In all the cases cited in which disclosure had been resisted, albeit unsuccessfully, the disclo-sure has been not merely against the wishes of the person to whom the duty was owed, but had been contrary to his interests, often seriously so.
That had not been demonstrated to the court in the

present case. His Lordship would therefore grant a declaration in favour of Price Waterhouse but limited to the material relevant to the enquiry's terms of reference, and Price Waterhouse should be required to maintain the confidentiality of underlying banking transactions, excepthe extent that disclosure specifically requested by the Solicitors: Herbert Smith;

### **Activated suspended sentence** cannot be partially suspended

Regina v Worsley Before Lord Justice Stuart Smith, Mr Justice Waterhouse and Mr Justice Morland [Judgment October 15] A judge had no power under

section 23 of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973 to activate a suspended sentence consecutively with another sentence of imprisonment and then partially to suspend the total

The Court of Appeal so held

when quashing a sentence im-posed by Judge Newman at Canterbury Crown Court on Leonard Worsley of six months imprisonment for driving while disqualified, with six mo an 18-month suspended sen-tence activated consecutively, making a total of 12 months, of which 28 days was to be served and the rest suspended. Both six-month sentences were quashed and concurrent sen-tences of 28 days were

Mr Guy Opperman, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant, Mr Nigel van der Bijl for the

MR JUSTICE WATER- whether no order should be HOUSE giving the judgment of made.

The court had no power to the Powers of Criminal Courts seek to implement a suspended an offender in breach of a part of the cumulative sentence suspended sentence.

whether the suspended sentence that to adopt such a device was should take effect, either unimpermissible and unlawful. altered or for a lesser term, or Solicitor. CPS, Kent.

Act 1973 set out the full ambit of sentence by adding it to another the court's powers in respect of sentence and then suspending

thus arrived at. R v Gow #19831 The court had to decide Cr App R (S) 250) made it clear

### Dismissal award

Parker Foundry Ltd v Slack In considering under section 76(4) of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 whether a compensation award for a finding of unfair dismissal should be reduced, the tribunal was required only to consider whether that dismis was caused or contributed to by the action of the complainant and to make a reduction that is just and equitable to that

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Glidewell, Lord Justice Balcombe and Lord Justice Woolf) so held on October 22:

finding.

when dismissing the appeal of David Norman Slack against the decision of the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice Wood, Mrs M. L. Boyle and Mrs M. E. Sunderland) on July 13. 1989 to dismiss his cross-appeal from the decision of a Leicester industrial tribunal on November 28, 1986 which found that he had been unfairly dismissed from his employment with Parker Foundry Ltd but that he had contributed to his dismissal by an aggressive attack upon a co-employee and that accordingly his compensation award would be reduced by 50 per cent.

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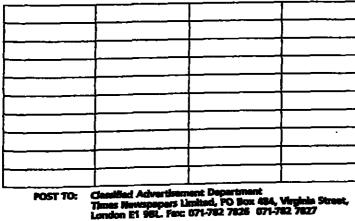
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RACING

Casteddu

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Redcar's

big prize

hope to small trainers nation-wide when Casteddu won the £163,000 Racecall Gold Trophy

at Redear yesterday.
Casteddu, yet another bigrace success for Alan Munro,
came with a wet sail inside the
final furlong to beat Prince
Ferdinand by one-and-a-half
lengths, with Goffs Million win-

ner Fair Crack another three-quarters of a length away third.
"I'm absolutely delighted."
Payne said. "Casteddu has been

aimed at this race since Royal

Dilum in the Coventry. He's won so nicely over seven fur-

that he'll probably go for the 2,000 Guineas. I was a bit worried about the draw, as Fair

Crack and Prince Ferdinand were over the other side."

Tucker, injured in a pile-up in fog at Bath on Monday, are both making good recoveries and should soon be back in the

broken collar-bone and concussion. Colin Munday, also involved in the accident, was

# Critical levy

THE Horserace Betting Levy Board is holding critical talks in

day.
The Levy Board has until

# National lottery could provide answer

swimming pools for one full having implications for sport. day each week and sub- While many of these could sequently close one of its pools provide benefits - for examcompletely; when it cannot ples, the introduction of a afford to bring into use new playing pitches; when charges for sports facilities suffer 'sport for all' must be in

But that is exactly what is confined to this authority.

recreation. It is becoming are saying that they will be

hen a local authority increasingly evident that the has to close all its many changes in government sports centres and legislation of recent years are national curriculum for physical education - there are others which fill me with which seeks to restrict local authority expenditure.

department which, for many Eastern Council for Sport and nity. The council claims that Recreation, I spend much of savings in excess of £600,000 my time meeting key local are having to be made this

Italians part company with former Formula One champion

**Prost's feud with Ferrari** 

finally at breaking point

Prost lies fifth in the champ- Prost's remarks following the

Prost, who has won a record championship for the second

Ferrari did not say if the the German grand prix in July There are lawyers involved, reno, at Adelaide. Pier-Luigi

breaking of Prost's contract that he was prepared to quit and if I open my mouth the Martini will drive Minardi's

44 grands prix, moved to year running for McLaren.

ionship, and had hinted that Japanese grand prix at Suzuka

- Alain in a swap with Riccardo ended. Officials of the Italian



Trevor Brooking, the former

England footballer and a member of the Sports Council,

voices concern over legislation

It is important, therefore, that government provides the necessary increases in local has been forced to cancel a

slow and difficult to drive it

Three days before yes-

terday's announcement, Prost

had said: "It's a dangerous

team can take measures

Asked what he would do if

Ferrari dismissed him, Prost

said: "Believe it or not, I

haven't got anything planned

Prost has won the Adelaide

race twice - in 1986 and 1988

- since it became part of the

racing circles that Ferrari may

The authoritative Milan

**SQUASH RACKETS** 

Parke's England prospects

falter with crucial defeat

By COLIN MCQUILLAN

in a 3-1 win for Cannons over

Adidas Northern. Bryan Beeson

and Paul Gregory were the other

Carter was an interesting

selection for the Cardiff side. Transferred from Cannons be-

lower on the Squash Rackets

Association merit order than

Philip Whitlock, another new

winners for Lambs.

THE opening fixtures of the of the injured world champion, Pimm's Premier League season carried a significance well be-

yond the lead established by 4-0 ker lost 9-6, 2-9, 5-9, 3-9 in 76 wins for Mosaic Priory in minutes. In the other London Birmingham, and Leekes Wiz- match, Del Harris and Tony

ards in Surbiton.

Hands, two more England
With the world team champhopefuls, contributed victories

vals. Vasari Cannons, after failing to agree terms with the club

circuit six years ago.

their contracts for 1992.

was "like a truck".

immediately.

confronted with similar prob- next month. In return, it is to lems now that government has be hoped that local authorities withdrawn the £15 million do not look to sport as the soft spending limit, above which option for any necessary

nault will keep the Italian-British duo of Patrese and

The newspaper also sug-

gested that Ivan Capelli, the

House and is free to join

later yesterday that it had

replaced Morbidelli with the

☐ Bertrand Gachot will drive

for the Larousse team on

Sunday, two weeks after being

released from a British prison,

team officials announced

Gachot, 28, from Belgium,

was named to replace Eric

Bernard, the French driver

who broke a leg during the

Formerly with the Jordan

His place at Jordan was

To have played both new men

behind Chris Robertson and Marshall, however, would have

necessitated the absence of the team captain, Adrian Davies,

who comfortably defeated Danny Lee this week but could

encounters against the likes of Gregory, Cairns, or his former

The Scottish No. 1 was signed from Leekes this season by

Cannons to reinforce a lower order diminished by the depar-

tures of Parke and Carter. Maclean's value to the defend-

Mackean's value to the defend-ing champions was illustrated by his absence through injuries sustained in the Canadian Open last week. The team captain, Neil Harvey, brought in as fourth string reserve, could manage to secure only the opening game against the rel-atively unknown Derek Ryan.

The depth of talent which carried Cannons through many

successful seasons appeared to stop at Harvey this year, which could be costly as the season takes its usual toll of over-active

leading players. Other squads have been assembled with more

RESULTS: L and P Lambs 3, North Welsham 1; Vaserl Cannons 3, Adides Northern 1: Mosaic Priory 4, A and P Rackets 0; Lynic Surbiton 0, Leekes Wizards 4.

attention to the lower order.

Minardi said in a statement

revenue to assist capital funding. But, in practice, which local authorities would want to increase their poll tax, even if it did not take them into an good examples of what can be 'overspend" situation where "capping" would be applied? It is to be hoped that capital allocations set later this

year will give local authorities

the opportunity to maintain

and improve their sports

authorities are free to use

facilities. Education reform has created the environment for new

exciting projects are already emerging. The village colleges in south Cambridgeshire offer achieved. Modest capital contributions from district and county councils and the Sports Council have enabled Cotenham to create a community sports centre and floodlit multi-games area with changing accommodation, recep-

tion and social areas. At Linton, the head of physical education spends only 50 per cent of her time teaching - the balance (and promotion and development of community sport, both on

Nevertheless. I perceive a ficient funding. A commitmood of optimism and some ment to long-term funding is critical if we are to achieve our 'sport for all" goals. Perhaps the introduction of a national lottery will be the answer to

I admit that I was lucky and was provided with every opportunity to express my sporting skills. I am in the minority. There are, I know, many people who would enjoy all the benefits of sport if only they had the opportunities to participate and to realise their full potential. Certainly, some progress can be made without massive capital expenditure more!) is devoted to the but we do need a basic stock of good facilities. We owe it to future generations. The value site and in the surrounding of sport in improving the quality of life cannot be underestimated, and it must be recognised by all in a position to take positive action.

> Ettore Landi, the winning owner, said: "I owned Cast-eddu's sire, Efisio, who was unbeaten as a two-year-old and won the Horris Hill Stakes at Newbury. His best trip was seven furlongs to a mile, and I think Casteddu will stay further next season. Payne, who has ten horses in

his Newmarket yard, was sad-dling his twelfth winner of the

Richard Hannon, trainer of Fair Crack, Coffee Ice and Strong Suit, said: "Fair Crack ran very well. I hope he will make up into a Guineas horse next year."

next year.

Lord Zetland, the Redear chairman, whose idea it was to launch the Racecall Gold Trophy in 1989, said: "This is a this race two years ago with the smaller yards in mind and it's fantastic that it worked out that

### Loki takes Lewis to jackpot

GEOFF Lewis, the Epsom trainer, landed a £104,000 jack-pot when Loki, his only runner at the meeting, won the last race

at Redcar yesterday. Lewis backed himself to send separate bets with bookmakers Victor Chandler and William Hill, at odds ranging from 33-1

Loki took the stable to the magic figure with a two-length victory over Nakora Bistraya in

be Provideo Handican The entire staff at Lewis's Thirty Acre Barn yard will join in the celebrations as the trainer promised each of his team a handsome share if the bet was

Paul Eddery, who partnered the winner, earlier initiated a double when driving Shake Town home by a neck from Armaiti in the valuable Westninster-Motor Taxi Insurance

Shake Town, owned and trained by Guy Harwood at Pulborough, now goes to the

### **Brent Walker** pulls out of Ascot festival

BRENT Walker has ended its support of Ascot's festival of racing. The troubled leisure group has decided to concentrate efforts on reducing its massive debt burden.

sponsor the valuable one-day festival. However, a joint state-ment issued yesterday said: "By mutual consent the Brent Walker sponsorship at Ascot has

This joint decision reflects the commitment of Lord

GEORGE Duffield and Andrew

Club's medical officer, visited the jockeys in Bath's Royal United Hospital yesterday and said: Despite their injuries they were comfortable and making a

# talks today

London today on the structure of the 31st Levy Scheme.

neeting going on late into the

# seeking to restrict local

team had also been angered by Honda, while Williams-Re-

Prost told reporters after the Jean Alesi in 1992. Capelli,

race that his Ferrari was so aged 28, recently left Leyton

game. There's still a contract. Brazilian driver, Roberto Mo-

It is thought in Italian Japanese grand prix.

good substitute for Prost next months of an 18-month sen-

year as the best drivers have tence after he was found guilty

already signed or extended of assaulting a London taxi

daily, Corriere della Sera, said taken by Alessandro Zanardi,

Senna and Gerhard Berger of Italy. (Agenices)

Mansell

another team.

second car

authority expenditure on sport

authorities were previously savings. subject to capping. The effect a discretionary service, could be disastrous if the Basildon and Cambridge situations are repeated elsewhere,

councils in the eastern region authorities' standard spending sports centre project. assessments when they are set

of this on sport and recreation, Huntingdonshire district council has had to defer provision of a new swimming pool; major refurbishment work at the regional sports centre in Luton has been deferred, while Epping Forest

partnerships and new initiatives. There are often good, but basic, school facilities which lack the ancillary accommodation appropriate for community use. In some instances, traditional wariness about and barriers to wider community use of school facil-

ahead - but it should not be seen as a substitute for suf-



Head above water: Plood wants to build on new awareness of disability in sport

# Optimist sees way forward

participant in the recent Challenge Anneka pro-

ment was made for the British

Paralympic Association.

TARA Flood is one of a new breed of young athletes hoping an international swimmer, but also as a force for change in the administration of sport for people with disabilities. The Preston woman, who now lives and works in London, believes that radical improvements are necessary to allow disabled athletes to take more

Flood, aged 25, is acutely aware of the discrimination that taints all aspects of life when someone has a disability. Born with limb deficiency, she went to a special school at Haywards Heath in Sussex. "Nothing can prepare you for the shock of the real world when you have lived that kind

of cotton-woolled existence." Flood survived the hard knocks. Her irrepressible op-

responsibility for their own

There has been increased

media coverage which has made a big difference. Five years ago Flood could see competitive swimming dying out and suddenly there was a surge of interest. "We've got to build on that new aware-ness and take a more active role in running our own affairs," she says. Having competed at inter-

medal in Barcelona next year.
"After that I may feel it's time to give up the personal struggle and concentrate on improving the sport for others. People like me have got to be involved in running things because able-bodied people will never really understand

national level for six years she

sees swimming as well struc-

tured but amateur. "Things

are beginning to change, with

athletes are getting serious

# that brought him out of the Yorkshire League, dropped a vital point against Mark Cairns. While Peter Marshall was comprehensively defeating Danny Meddings at second string for Leekes Wizards, and Jason Nicolle was dismissing Robert Graham at second string for Mosaic Priory, Parke lost 9-2, 7-9, 8-10, 5-9 in 91 minutes against the dogged Cairns, ranked 15 places lower on the England list. Gallant failure against Jahangir Khan by Chris Walker, promoted to first string for North Walsham in the absence Welsh sound warning for rival code

WALES are back on the rugby league map. Following their national fold against Papua New Guinea at Swansea on Sunday. it seems they will be allocated a match against France in the spring and considered for inclusion in the 1995 World Cup. "We don't like one-offs, and

the players themselves didn't want this game to be a flash in the pan, so a match against France in the spring is looking likely," David Howes, the Rugby Football League (RFL) The Welsh coach, Clive Griffiths, wants to build up slowly.

but a game against England could follow. "We have a fallow year on the international front for Great Britain next season so it could fit nicely into the fixture list," Howes said.

must be wary of any advancement by Jonathan Davies and The fact that a crowd of his talented team-mates.

Robert Cole on the dilemma running rugby that cannot be matched by their union players. facing the Welsh in inter- And the all-round skills of the national rugby league

night, only hours after the Rugby World Cup semi-final etween Australia and New Zealand had finished, will no doubt have alerted the RFL to the commercial possibilities of a winning Welsh side.

"We knew the Welsh side had the ability to put on a good show and the crowd reaction to them was fantastic," Howes said. The fall from grace of the Welsh rugby union side may have contributed to the euphoria of the victory, but the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) hierarchy at Cardiff Arms Park

Welsh league players was of a level which would have earned nearly all inclusion in the Welsh XV. The change in, and improvement of, players such as David Young Mark Jones, Kevin Ellis and Robert Ackerman was revealing.
As the Leeds full back, Phil Ford, the only player to have appeared for Wales at rugby league before Sunday night, put it: "We had to restore some

pride to Welsh sport. We proved how much it means to play for That they certainly did and, if play later in the season, there could be an even bigger crowd to watch the union players of yesteryear increase the stock of is talented team-mates. rugby league in their old.

They put on a fine display of backyard.



### Reilly to look closely at under-21 players By KEITH MACKLIN

MALCOLM Reilly, the Great Wigan wing, Gary Connolly, the Britain coach, will watch the St Helens centre, who has made under-21 team's match against a successful transition from full the Papua New Guinea touring team at Headingley tonight with more interest than normal.

Martin Offiah, the Widnes ving, is out of senior contention through his dispute with the club and Paul Loughlin, the St Helens centre, is under a long-term injury cloud. Reilly could promote one or more of the young threequarters on show tonight for the World Cup game against Papua New Guinea at Wigan a week on Saturday.

There are six new under-21 caps in the XIII - Hallas, Pearson, Busby, Dixon, Parr and McCurrie. The threequarters in the frame for senior selection are David Myers, the

back, and Paul Newlove, the Featherstone Rovers centre, who is playing with more zest. Papua New Gunica retain only three players from the team beaten 68-0 by Wales.

Dealen 68-U by Wales.

GREAT BRITAIN UNDER-21: D Mycos (Sheffield Engles): D Myers (Wigan), G Cornolly (St Helens), P Newlove (Featherstone Rovers), G Haftes (Hull KR); M Peerson (Featherstone), B Goulding (Leeds, captell); P Surmer (Warnington), M Dboon (Hull). C Parr (Huddershield). D Busby (Hull), S McNamara (Hull), S McChamer (Wolnes), Substitutes: T Merryn (Oldisam), A Precious (Hunslet), N Pinkney (Hyadale York), C Joynt (Oldham), Triveling reserves: M Hiley (St Helans), P Sonson (Featherstone)

PAPUA NEW GUMMER: 1 Wanaga: L Patengat, J Uradok, P Bope, C Itam; N Lepan, S Karara; K Ngoffin, D Mol, 1 Yewing, J Kola, K Papinate: J Uragi, J Kouoru, J Neipan.

The programme put across about wanting a more prowhat we are doing in a really positive way and I thought, Thank God, at last someone Kindersley to concentrate all the resources of Brent Walker on fessional outlook. I see a multi-disability approach as the only way forward. I'd like the reconstruction plan and enables the Ascot Authority 10 has seen the light"." Without personalities in the headlines, Flood believes that to see each sport working with the national governing body, leaving the disability organisseek a new long-term overall sponsor to continue to build Britain's major international will be very difficult. "We want athletes who are disabled ation to develop the grass Brent Walker had agreed to put £400,000 a year into the festival and had 12 months of turning up to open galas so that the kids have someone Her sights are set on retaining the world record she set in the 50 metres breaststroke in August, and taking a gold

# **Injured riders**

Dr Michael Allen, the Jockey

satisfactory recovery. They should be able to resume raceriding soon."
Duffield sustained "higher back injuries" while Tucker has

The meetings with members of the Bookmakers' Committee was held over from Monday as a result of the bookmakers' own meeting are in the bookmakers' own

tomorrow to reach an agreement on the scheme if it is toavoid referring the matter to the

As a member of the Sports authority members and offi- year to avoid capping. cers to encourage further

Prost the three-time Formula Patrese.

final grand prix of the season behind his lack of success.

terday, Ferrari said that it had Ferrari last season after win-

decided to "discontinue its co- ning the 1989 title with

was by mutual consent or if it Ferrari before his contract

One world champion, has had

his contract terminated by

In a brief statement yes-

operation" with Prost, whose

place at Adelaide would be

taken by the young Italian

driver, Gianni Morbidelli.

who has been with the

had taken the decision itself.

Prost, aged 36, has driven

for Ferrari for the last two

years. His contract was due to

expire in 1992, but yesterday's announcement came as no

Relations between Ferrari

and the Frenchman had

soured this season. He has not

won a race since the Spanish

grand prix 13 months ago, and

French team, Ligier, possibly

There had also been ru-

mours that he might join the

British driver, Nigel Mansell,

his former Ferrari colleague,

at Williams-Renault next year

**AMERICAN FOOTBALL** 

**DeBerg** 

never

says die

THE Kansas City Chiefs railied

from an 11-point deficit in the fourth quarter on Monday and

beat the Los Angeles Raiders 24-21 when Tim Barnett caught a

six-yard scoring pass from Steve
DeBerg with 47 seconds to play.
Kansas City had trailed 21-10,
but Christian Okoye scored on a
one-yard run before DeBerg's

winning throw. On the first play of the game, Deberg completed the 2,500th pass of his 15-year

The Washington Redskins are

the only unbeaten team in the

National Football League (NFL)

after their 17-13 victory over the

after their 17-13 victory over the New York Giants on Sunday. The Redskins earned their cighth win as the previously undefeated New Orleans Saints fell 20-17 to the Chicago Bears. Washington trailed 13-0 at half-time but Mark Rypien threw touchdown passes of seven and 54 yards to Gary Clark in a three-minute stretch

Clark in a three-minute stretch

to halt a six-game losing streak against the Giants.

Jim Harbaugh, unimpressive

for 58 minutes against the Saints, convinced the Chicago coach, Mike Ditka, not to bench

him. He moved the Bears 52 yards in four plays and found Tim Waddle with a 12-yard toss

54 seconds from time. Morten

Andersen, of New Orleans, kicked a 60-yard field goal that

equalled the second longest in NFL history. Warren Moon fired three

first-half scoring passes, includ-

ing a 61-yarder to Drew Hill, as

the Houston Oilers beat the Cincinnati Bengals 35-3, lifting

one defeat. The Bengals, 0-8,

equalled the poorest start in club

equalled the poorest start in club history. Moon, who plays in Washington against the Redskins in the biggest game on Sunday, completed 24 of 37 passes for 289 yards.

David Treadwell, of the Density o

ver Broncos, kicked three field

goals to beat the New England

Patriots 9-6. The San Francisco

19ers manhandled the Philadel-

phia Eagles 23-7 with six sacks,

three fumble recoveries and an interception. Erik Kramer, a reserve who had spent two years

in the Canadian League, com-pleted his first two NFL touch-down passes as the Detroit Lions

beat the Dallas Cowboys 34-10.

PEATLINE Diamas Control of the Peatline at San Francisco; Cleveland at Cincornati; Debret at Cincornati; Debret at Cincornati; Debret at Cincornati; Houston at Washington: Miemi at Indiane; Houston at Washington: Miemi at Indiane; House England at Baffalor, New Orleans at LA Rams: Priceria at Delbas; Tampa Bay at Minnesota: Pristsburgh at Denver. Monday: NY Giants at Philadelphia.

in a managerial role.

in Australia.

excessive increases each half- concern, not least the con-. then the delivery of sequences of recent legislation Cambridge city council is happening in Basildon, Essex witnessing an incremental dis-- and the problem is not just mantling of its recreation As a member of the Sports years, has sought to provide Council and chairman of the for all sections of the commu-

One third of the 48 district

Ferrari, five days before the the design of the Ferrari was nine days ago, when Ayrton final grand prix of the season behind his lack of success. Senna secured the world

He had previously been

world champion in 1985 and

1986, but his lack of success

this season fuelled press criti-

cism in Italy, and he said after

Prost: contract ended

away, and the England selectors committed to using form as a

guideline, Simon Parke, aged 19, the No. 1 and world junior

unconvincing performance in

his first appearance for London

and Provincial Lambs against North Walsham.

Parke, who transferred to Lambs from their London ri-

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# Shirley Valentine ready to shine

THE first division of the Caister For Holidays Maiden Fillies' Stakes at Yarmouth today should be well worth watching with next year's Oaks in mind.

For if ever a filly was bred to turned the 1963 Oaks into a win the Epsom classic it is procession when winning by surely Shirley Valentine, who ten lengths. will be making her racecourse

Eddery.
As her name suggests, she is a daughter of the 1978 Derby winner Shirley Heights. Her connection with the Oaks

Derby, But pedigrees are one cost as a yearling may not thing, ability is another.

Comes through her dam thing, ability is another. comes through her dam thing, ability is another.

Slightly Dangerous who followed in the footsteps of her breeder Khaled Abdulla, Shiranother chance in the Hopton dam Where You Lead by ley Valentine has given every Leisure Maiden Stakes, now finishing second in the Epsom indication on Newmarket that she is running over six

1.45 Shimmering Sands. 2.15 Fluidity.

2.45 Grove Serendipity. 3.15 Veriga.

2.45 Grove Serendipity. 3.15 Veriga.

3.45 Jasoorah, 4.15 Cronk's Quality.

MANDARIN

MANDARIN

daughter of Noblesse who

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Slightly Dangerous has al-

debut in the hands of Pat ready bred the top-class miler Warning in addition to Shirley Valentine's elder brother De-

THUNDERER

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 1.15 SHIRLEY VALENTINE (nap).

2.15 FLUIDITY (nap). 2.45 Mr Wishing Well.

3.15 Veriga.
3.45 Amparama.
4.15 A Little Precious.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 6F 3YD-1M SYD, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

1.15 SHIRLEY VALEN- 1.15 Copper Butterfly.

Henry Cecil lets her prepara-tion gather momentum. If she is destined for stardom, she certainly ought to be capable of brushing aside her opposition this afternoon and

While information concerning the second division is rather more hazy, I am still led to believe that Alec Stewart's Jasoorah, a daughter of Sadler's Wells, has shown ploy who finished second to sufficient promise to suggest Salsabil in last year's Irish that the 370,000 guineas she

she is my nap.

RICHARD EVANS

3.15 Veriga.

heath recently that she is furlongs. The Green Desert Where You Lead was also a heading the right way as filly appeared not to last out may have to make do with one Chase.

seven furlongs on her debut at today when his best chance the question.

In the Vauxhall Handicap, Grove Serendipity is narrowly preferred to Thursday's Newbury runner-up Majed. Tony Hide's gelding was beaten last met only a neck by the versatile that occa Bookcase at Goodwood last a length.

fancied to beat her three rivals in the Hemsby Holiday Stakes following that six-length victory over Conjuring at New-castle earlier this month. Peter Niven, who rode four

2.45 VAUXHALL HANDICAP (£2.735: 1m 3f 101vd) (15 runners)

in-form stable, is strongly

Leicester where she was appears to be on Desert Or-backed as if defeat were out of chid's seven-year-old half-sis-Mason Handicap Chase.

Veriga, from John Gosden's won the Night Nurse Trophy

Peacework will be meeting Pinemartin on 6lb better terms compared to when they last met at Hexham. Yet on that occasion she won by half Since Snowfire Chap, who

with Niven aboard last year, has not run this season, I now prefer the in-form Over The Deel, whose stable companion Dancing River could well find the task of giving 6lb to the very promising Poetic Gem winners at the corresponding more than he can cope with in the Unlikely Lads Novices

### European team arrives for Breeders' Cup showdown

11.20am on Monday, included In The Groove, Culture Vulture, Quest For Fame and Saddlers' Hall. The flight from Paris was delayed for 24 hours due to hydraulic problems.

At 2,30pm the same day, the nine French arrivals included Arazi, the favourite for the

Breeders' Cup Juvenile, Priolo and Dear Doctor. "There were no problems at all," said Adrian Beaumont, of the International Racing Bureau, "All the horses arrived in good shape."

The news that Lester Piggott, who created a sensation when winning last year's Breeders' Cup Mile on Royal Academy at the age of 54, will ride Richard Hannon's Only Yours in the Distaff as well as Showbrook for the Wiltshire trainer against Arazi in the Juvenile, means that for the first time the ropeans will field runners in seven races.

Recent Hunter is a last-minute fector from the Mile. On saring that Sheikh Moham-ed's Prix de l'Abbaye winner s unlikely to make the cut, hn Gosden decided against ading the four-year-old on a ssible hopeless journey.
As usual, the best European

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THE whole of a possible 19strong European attack on the
\$10 million Breeders' Cup day
at Churchill Downs on Saturday
was expected to have arrived
here by last night.

The British flight from
Stansted, which arrived at
11.20am on Monday, included
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Times in the past five years and the eightyear history of the series.

Although the final shape of
the fields will not be known
until Thursday, the European
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3-1 American-trained favourite
for the Mile, include Second Set,
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Most professionals' idea of the European banker for the richest day's reging in the world.

richest day's racing in the world is Polar Falcon, successful last time out in the Ladbroke Sprint

Cup at Haydock,
The John Hammond-trained colt is cast in the same mould as Last Tycoon and Royal Acad-



Gosden: decided against sending Keen Hunter

favourites in the Turf in Pistolet Bleu and Pigeon Voyageur, who finished third and fifth respectively behind Suave Dancer in the Arc. The other Europeans are Dear Doctor, In The Groove, Quest For Fame, Sad-dlers' Hall, Miss Alleged and

Saganeca.
Yesterday, the miles of greenroofed barus and the 110-yearold grandstand were basking in the unseasonable late October

D Wayne Lukas, the largest stakes winning trainer in racing bistory, who has a record ten Breeders' Cup victories to his credit, was holding court to the

Discussing Arazi's chance of becoming the first European-trained winner on dirt, Lukas said: "He faces a rough assignit must be the first time he handled two sharp turns to the left. With 14 runners, it would be easy for him to run into traffic problems. He'll have to

be exceptional to win."

Two years ago, Lukas correctly forecast that Steinlen would win the Mile. This time he considers Twilight Agenda and Star Of Cozzene, in the Classic and the Mile respectively, his best chances.

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3.15 HEMSBY HOLIDAY GRADUATION STAKES (£3,395: 1m Syd) (4 runners)  1 (1) 1-02302 ANDRASSY 41 (F) (Shelich Mohammed) L Current 3-9-4 L Detact - 99  2 (4) 321033 SHOKA 9 (6) (Shelich Mohammed) B His 3-8-13 Mt Hise 89  3 (2) 21 VERIGA 16 (D.F) (Mar S Taylor) J Gooden 3-6-13 W Carrion 81  4 (3) 3-15820 ZISIKA 7 (CD.F) (Shelich Mohammed) H Cecil 3-8-13 SCAUGHEN 93  SETTING: 7-4 Veriga, 2-1 Andrassy, 3-1 Shoka, 6-1 Zieka.  1990: AIGUE 4-8-13 G Carter (11-2) G Wragg 5 ran  FORM FOCUS  ANDRASSY 1/2 2nd of 5 to Pay Homage in Lingüeld VERIGA best Conjuring 61 in 6-runner Newcastle (1in, 1m 11, good to firm) apprendice states race. SHOKA Itm) melden. ZISIKA rik 2nd of 13 to Attendable in Redicter (71, good to firm) apprendice start. Selection: ANDRASSY intendices on penultimate start. Selection: ANDRASSY intendices on penultimate start.	MA 1.30 work Go THU 1.30 Lib. Pats Rick
3.45 CAISTER FOR HOLIDAYS MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES Div it: 2-Y-O: \$2,070: 1m Syd) (10 runners)  1 (5) 5 ARMARAMA 168 (C Ofley) C Britain 8-11 L Deflor: \$3 2 (6) 00 DESERT MST 14 (Mrs C Philipson) M Prescott 8-11 C Nutter — 3 (1) EL TARANDA (Shelith Motermend) G Wregg 8-11 S Cauthen — 4 (4) JASOCRAH (Shelith Ahmed Al Maltburn) A Stewart 8-11 M Roberts — 5 (7) 0 LITTLE PARK 16 (Miss C Monis) J Peartos 8-11 N Adams — 6 (10) 5 LOCH CLAIR 28 (Capt J Maccioneld-Buchanan) Mrs J Cocil 8-11 Paul Eddery 81 7 (9) 0 MAID OF ICE 16 (Mrs P Redict) J Scargis 8-11 W Ryen — 8 (3) 2 NOBLE SINGER 12 (W Gradley) H Thomson Jones 8-11 R Hills 98 9 (8) 0 WHASPER'S SHADOW 27. (Hon Miss Tritton) M Tomptions 8-11 C Hodigano (5) @ 99  BETTING: 18-8 Jascoceh, 2-1 El Taranda, 7-2 Armarams, 8-1 Noble Singer, 12-1 Loch Clair, 18-1 others.	CAP 1 23 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 7-2 S
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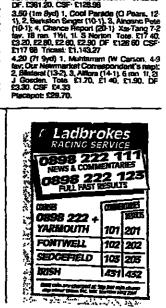
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# Style trial makes for a fascinating match-up



re have two worthy final-ists for the 1991 Rugby World Cup. At the highest level, individuals and teams do not get what they deserve but what they are good enough to take. Australia and England took their chances - and themselves to the final of the World Cun.

They did it in very different ways, which were as much an indication of their attitudes to themselves as an indication of the relative strengths of the teams. England believe in their ability to win; Australia believe in their

ability to play great rugby. England began their match with Scotland in a most positive manner. They did not, as many pundits thought, play the whole match through their forwards. They began by moving the ball into the midfield where Carling, in narticular, was charged with breaking the first line and setting

up a ruck from which the ball would be moved quickly wide. Alas, Peter Winterbottom mishandled the first two times he was asked to take the ball on from the initial burst by Carling and there died England's attempt at continuity.

In the end, it was simply a case of Scotland the Brave versus England the Big.

Scotland's attempt to keep the ball away from the touchlines, and to play at an unflagging pace, foundered on the rock of their own inaccuracies. If only they hadn't held the ball at the back of scrums; if only they hadn't taken on the England back row with setpiece moves close to the scrum; if only they had been able to recover their high kicks and eliminate handling errors.

All of these "if onlys" add up to a Herculean task and one I can never remember having been



David Kirk, captain of the 1987 World

Cup winning All Blacks, weighs the

strengths of the teams that have

reached this year's final

achieved at international level. Teams which are beaten soundly in the scrums and lineouts, and which are therefore forced to try to play breakneck rugby with no errors, do not win international rugby matches. Scotland came close to doing so and that is a measure of their quality.

After England's initial foray into midfield, which produced some promising openings that came to nothing, Scotland kicked two penalties and wrested the initiative for perhaps 20 minutes of the match. As the second half progressed, however, the pendulum swung back towards England and it was then, as they reasserted their dominance in the lineout, that their courage and belief in the type of rugby they are capable of playing failed them.

At 6-6, and with the lineout and scrum secure, the next step in the evolution of this England team was there to be taken. I fear they have missed the opportunity forever. If England lose the final on Saturday, and I believe they will, it will have been lost when their courage failed them in the second half at Murravfield.

Australia produced the outstanding performance of the tournament in unceremoniously

shunting New Zealand to one side. Throughout the first half they played almost faultless rugby, winning the best set-piece ball and passing, handling and judging impeccably.

When one strikes a team running hot like this, the only thing that can be done is to keep cool, to never admit defeat and to wait for the tide to turn. This the All Blacks did admirably.

There were minor mistakes by New Zealand in both Australian tries but they were very minor, the execution was simply too good to be stopped by anyone. And so it went on, neither side making any significant mistakes at all and both sides tackling their hearts

As many had expected for some time, the difference was in hunger and pace. And another factor, perhaps surprisingly on the day, was a lack of inventiveness and

penetration from the All Black backs. Throughout the second half, they asked again and again one single question of the Australians: "Are you prepared to tackle us?". The answer was clearly 'yes", and they did.

The questions they were never asked were: "Which direction is the ball going?" and "who is going to get the ball after this move?" Or, "who should I take". Pushing the ball to the wings against a drifting defence, and without the pace of Wright and Jones, was ever going to be enough.

But then perhaps nothing was. was undoubtedly Australia's day. From the first, they played like men who believed in their skills and their game plan and who accepted that scoring points was nothing more than the logical extension of playing great rugby. That to me is the attitude of world

Jones returns to bolster All Blacks

# Scottish duo have chance to bow out on a high note

By DAVID HANDS

THE Weish may not be in t mood to appreciate it but the have the opportunity today pay tribute to some disti guished rugby careers: tl third-place play-off match the World Cup at Card Arms Park may mark the la international of half a doze players from New Zealar and Scotland, players who records deserve more than rudimentary nod from a ha full stadium.

Finlay Calder and Jol Jeffrey, the Scotland flanker have already made their i tentions clear. Both can desperately close to achieving the ambition of a lifetime f any Scot, when they can within three points of beating the All Blacks in Auckland la year, but in 15 encounte Scotland have yet to record victory. Both would dear love to go out such a high not

No New Zealander has y has it that such players as the Whetton brothers, Andy Earl and Richard Loe may be pondering retirement. Alan Whetton, the flanker whose career began in 1984 and who will be 32 in December, was among those not required for today's game as the New Zealand management made six changes from the XV beaten 16-6 by Australia in Sunday's semi-final.

His place goes to Earl while Michael Jones, unavailable for New Zealand's last three matches because of his religious beliefs, returns on the other flank. It was Jones who scored the first try of the tournament, that condemned England to defeat in the opening match on October 3, and it is a measure of his standing that the All Blacks were prepared to select him in the knowledge that he could

miss several critical games. Kieran Crowley, a late addiwhose recovery from a hamstring injury came just too late get through this tournament for his pace to be used against and then make changes," Hart against the Barbarians, Gareth Australia. There are three added. "We came up against Edwards et al — it would be a

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to John Timu (thigh), Bernie McCahill (hamstring) and Grant Fox (groin): their places at wing, centre and stand-off John Preston.

of its time," John Hart, their to be remembered for one co-coach, said. Hart will defeat, and not for what it is surely be among those consid- and what it has achieved." ered as coach when the New Zealand council decide on new office holders for their Lane Penn, one of their three and Alex Wyllie, their other coach, is expected to retire, having indicated his belief

further changes in the back an Australian team that was wonderful way to go.

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division, all caused by injuries young and coming up while we were on our way down. This [today's game] is now a character test for the All Blacks, Scotland have got half respectively go to Va'aiga everything to play for and they Tuigamala, Walter Little and probably don't mind being here because they have had a "You have seen an All very good tournament. But it Black team coming to the end would be wrong for this team

Wyllie said it was an opportunity for younger players seeking to cement places in centenary season next year but All Black teams of the future. "This is a new challenge. We selectors, is not standing again hope we can play enjoyable rugby for the crowd and it looks as though the Scots are taking it seriously," he said. that coaches should be ap- No New Zealand team has lost tion to the party, gives way at that coaches should be apfull back to Terry Wright, pointed for four-year periods. at Cardiff since 1973: if to-"We were hoping we could day's game can match the quality of that encounter -



Happy faces: David Campese, Australia's inspirational wing, is at the centre of a gathering during training at Sunbury yesterday as the players show their delight at reaching the Rugby World Cup final. Report, page 40

### RESULTS: Australia 32, Argentina 19; Wales 13, Western Samoa 16; Australia 9, Western Samoa 3; Wales 16, Argentina 7; Western Samoa 35. Argentina 12, Western Samoa 35. P W D L F A Pts N Zealand 3 3 0 0 95 39 9 England 3 2 0 185 33 7 Rely 3 1 0 2 57 76 5 US 3 0 0 3 24 113 3 RESULTS: England 12, New Zealand 18; Italy 30, United States 9; New Zealand 46, United States 6; England 36, Italy 8; England 37, United States 9; New Zealand 31, Italy 21. RESULTS: France 30, Romania 3; Fiji 3, Canada 13; France 33, Fiji 9; Canada 19, Romania 11; Romania 17, Fiji 15; France 19, Canada 13. PWDL F APts ☐ Teams in pool matches were awarded three points for a victory, two RESULTS: Scotland 47. Japan 9: treland 55, Zimbabwe 11; Ireland 32, Japan 16; Scotland 51, Zimbabwe 12; Scotland 24, Ireland 15; Zimbabwe 8, Ireland 25, Ireland 15; Zimbabwe 8, Ireland 26, Ireland 15; Zimbabwe 8, Ireland 27, Ireland 15; Zimbabwe 8, Ireland 28, Ireland 15; Zimbabwe 15; Ireland 15; Ireland 28, Ireland 15; Ireland 15; Ireland 28, Ireland 15; Ireland 28, Ireland 15; Ireland 15; Ireland 16; 
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> (in Dublin) THIRD PLACE PLAY-OFF: Today: Scotland v New Zeeland (at Cardiff, 2.30pm). FINAL: Nov 2: England v Australia (at

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The winners of the Heinz fair play award will be selected by the referees assessors, who may take into account incidents not punished by a referee. Foul play, dissent and off-the-ball incidents are key factors in assessing the award, as are the number of penalties awarded against teams in the earlier stages of the tournament. Dismissatis, drug abuse or misconduct off the field will result in disqualification. Western Semos and Aurentine

### S Africa's World Cup hopes brighten

By DAVID HANDS

THE venue for the 1995 World Cup has yet to be decided, but those who would award it to South Africa may have derived encouragement from Monday's meeting in Johannesburg: Nelson Mandela, deputy leader of the African National Congress. met representatives of the South African Rugby Board (Sarb) and the South African Rugby Union (Saru) and there was a general endorsement of the aim to establish a unified, non-racial governing body for rugby by

Danie Craven, the Sarb presi-dent who attended the meeting, said the progress of the unification talks was discussed "in a good spirit". He added: "I think Mr Mandela realises he has to attend to the matter. He will help get it done, and quickly. Everything must be finished by the end of the year."

Were that to be the case, it would be considerably easier for the International Rugby Football Board to discuss the 1995 World Cup venue when it holds its annual meeting in March. Until the board is assured of the proper implementation of the newly-constituted body, how-South Africa will remain in

Nonetheless Australia and New Zealand have extended an invitation for a South African representative to attend their next joint meeting, in Sydney in February - an occasion in which Argentina has also expressed an interest, which sugsouthern-hemisphere hampionship may be debated

informally.

Australia also has in mind the possibility of playing three provincial matches and an international in South Africa on their way to Ireland and Wales next antimin. Were they to arrive as holders of the World Cup, they would receive a rapturous wel-come in South Africa.

Craven, speaking from Stellenbosch, voiced his regret that the present World Cup was too soon for his country: "When I watch it I feel like crying - to bear all the anthems and know that our boys are not there." watching the tournament at first hand, among them Naas Botha, the Northern Transvaal standoff half, who was in Dublin to

That was a match one sees only once in many years," Craven said, but in general he has not been impressed by what has not been impressed by what he described as "kick-and-charge" rugby. "That's not rugby. The Wallabies deviate from it and that's why they're

### **EQUESTRIANISM**

### Horse trials bring in suspension for falls

By JENNY MACARTHUR

STRINGENT new medical rules have brought the sport of has a serious fall at an event will be suspended and given a horse

trials medical suspension card. In order to compete again the rider must be given clearance from his doctor. The ruling, which was announced at the horse trials annual group conference at Lord's yesterday, follows Su-sanna Macaire's fall at Gatcombe Park last year. McCaire, who was short-listed for the British team, had been

knocked out and sprung ber collarbone at Dauntsey horse trials a fortnight before. Told that only riders who competed at Gatcombe would be considered for the team, Macaire bravely rode her horse, Master Marius, at Gatcombe, but fell, injuring herself and her horse. The Horse Trials Group reported a deficit of £55,000 this year. This was largely due to running the Windsor Horse Trials without a main sponsor, at a cost of £60,000. The group's reserves now stand at £444,000,

and members' subscriptions and

horse registrations have been

The sport noted a record number of entries - 46,230 - in horse trials into line with the last year's 160 events, which included nine three-day events. The international team had junior and senior teams all won sold medals at their respective European championships. One event organiser, Hamish

Lochore, protested yesterday against the rule that an organiser wishing to exceed the official "band" of prize-money must pay a levy from his event to central funds. Unmoved, John Tulloch, the group chairman, said: "We are very reluctant to see a system where the strong events go forward and the weak stay the same." Negotiations by the group for

the purchase of the lease of Tweseldown racecourse, where the Crookham horse trials are held, are at an advanced stage. HORSE TRIAL GROUP AWARDS: Torr PICHSE THAN GHOUP AWARDS: Tony Collins Memorial Trophy: R Powell. Calcutts Light Horse Trophy: Ruth McMallan. Modern Alarm Widesweise Trophy: Ata Klaley (breeder of Lags Edven). Eddy Goldman Trophy: K Gifford. Martin Whiteley Trophy: O Moore. Sir John Burder Trophy: Devan. Beehive Trophy: Thompson.

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### **TENNIS**

# Wainwright strolls through

By Andrew Longmore, Tennis Correspondent

BEARING in mind the less than at school until she is 18, by flattering comments made about British juniors by Jo Durie last week, Amanda Wainwright enjoyed a startling vic-tory over Belinda Borneo in the second round of the national championships, the first to be held under the Volkswagen

Wainwright, a bonny, wellbuilt 15-year-old from Essex, did not just beat the No. 10 seed, she annihilated her, 6-1, 6-1, with a gusto which augurs rather better for the future than the British No. 1 had indicated last week in Brighton. Where are all the children?"

Durie had asked in painting a gloomy picture of the state of the art. Rather closer to home than she anticipated, it seems. Wainwright is part of the same stable Both are coached by Alan
Jones and they frequently practise together, at least when

Wainwright can find the time. Besides being the national under-16 champion, Wainwright represents her county at hockey, is a useful netball player and, following in the footsteps of her mother, who once was fourth in the world at the discipline, is a talented hurdler. If that was not enough, she gained an A in GCSE English a

which time, according to tra-ditional theory, it will be too late to begin a serious career in

professional tennis. Not many have the dual talents of the Wimbledon champion, Michael Stich, who gained a place at university before turning to tennis full-time. Sarah Loosemore, the former national champion, who is now pursuing her studies in psychology at St Hilda's in Oxford, is

e more likely example.
"I made no unforced errors. just went out to attack her and



Durie began the defence of her title comfortably enough, beating Lucy Needham for the Jeremy Bates, also protecting his place as British champion, could not have enjoyed a better start.

He won 6-0, 7-5 against Simon Ickringill, the Yorkshireman, who wasted six match points against him in the nationals six years ago.

RESULTS: Merr: Singles: First round: Strings (Yorks) bt V Penson (Easew), 6-3, 7-5; A Brice (Cheshire) bt S Bele (Microt), 6-3, 7-5; A Brice (Cheshire) bt S Bele (Microt), 6-3, 6-4; G Henderson (Yorks) bt J Microty (Sussec), 6-4, 6-4; D Williams (Microt) bt J Sharm (Perts), 6-4, 7-6; A Rouse (Essex) bt A Morgan (Notts), 6-4, 6-4; N Jones (N Wales) bt J Haycock (Surrey), 6-4, 6-4; C Bescher (Merr) bt D Collins (Oxon), 6-4, 7-6, Second round: J Betts (Surrey) bt S Ickrings 6-0, 7-5; J Lenton (Beds) bt M Bincow (Northerste), 6-7, 6-2, 6-4; N Fulwood (Derbys) bt J Hunter (Surrey), 6-3, 8-8. Women: Singles: Second round: \$ Smith Deroys of a Paner (Surrey), 6-5, 6-5.
Women: Singles: Second round: S. Smith
(Essex) by T. Wishminght (Warwicks), 6-1, 6-4;
V. Humphreys-Davies (Camba) by V. Invine (Essex), 6-0, 6-0; A. Wainweight (Essex) by B. Borneo (Beds), 6-1, 6-1; 3-A. Siddel (Dorset) by M. Hughes (N. Weles), 6-1, 6-2; C. Hunt (Dorset) by J. Carelen (Pentre and 16MA, 8-2, 6. Bormeo (Becs), 5-1, 6-1; S-A Stocas (Lorsel) bit M Huggles (N Wales), 6-1, 6-2; C Hurni (Darset) bit J Caplen (Hanta and loW), 6-2, 6-1; J Selmon (Busset) bit A Movembry (Yorks), 6-3, 6-2; S Gomer (Davon) bit L Woodrofts (Sumey), 6-2, 6-2; J Dunie (Avon) bit L Neschism (Cambe), 6-1, 6-1; C Wood (Susser) bit K Cross (Devon), 6-3, 7-6; V Lister (Davon) bit K Father (N Wales), 5-3, 6-4; A Gronfeeld (Lances) bit J Holden (Yorks), 6-2, 6-4; A Caronted (Lancs) of J Holden (Yorks), 62, 6-C M Javer (unattached) bt H Matthews (Berlay, 6-2, 6-4; C Half (Dorset) bt A Simplien (Leica), 6-4, 3-6, 6-3; 3 Bentley (Linca) bt L Ahl (Devon), 7-6, 7-6; B Griffiths (Midde) bt C Herbert (Herb), 4-6, 6-4, 6-3; C Billingham (Oxon) bt 3 Donovan (Herbs), 3-6, 6-4, 6-2.

### **Umpires** are opposed to

### neutral panel ENGLISH umpires will stand

firm if Pakistan ask for neutral officials to be used in their five-Test series in England next summer. They remain opposed to the principle of an international panel.

Don Oslear, the chairman of England's first-class umpires, said yesterday: "I have feared for some time there will be an independent panel of umpires. I am attending a meeting at Lord's tomorrow at which the matter will be discussed and I shall remind the board of the unanimous proposal adopted by all English umpires at our

meeting 12 months ago. "The proposal says 'our body does not wish to be associated with the international panel, as this is detrimental to English umpires, the English game and cricket in general, and that this be supported by the TCCB by voting against the proposal at any ICC meeting."

The TCCB spokesman, Peter Smith, said: "As there is a distinct possibility the ICC will have found a sponsor for a neutral panel of Test umpires before the start of the 1992 English season, we are waiting to see how that progresses before making any alternative arrange-

### CRICKET

### South Africa receive Sharjah invitation

OVERSEAS CRICKET by SIMON WILDE

be the only tournament South Africa play in this winter. They have also been asked to play in the triangular Champions Tro-phy at Sharjah, in the United Arab Emirates, in April.

South Africa received the invitation from Asif Igbal, the former Pakistan Test batsman and Sharjah's organiser, before the International Cricket Council (ICC) meeting in the Gulf state last week, arranged to decide on the Republic's participation in the World Cup.

South Africa are almost certain to accept but their decision may not be known until the delegation they sent to Sharjah returns from a series of meetings in Asia, which should produce provisional dates for several further tours and lead to some prominent Indians and Pakistanis playing in the Curric Cup

South Africa's opponents in Sharjah have not been confirmed but are expected to be was yesterday refuted by the exceed 50 was Western AustraWith the World Cup ending in Melbourne on March 25 and the English season beginning three

THE World Cup is unlikely to weeks later, there would scarcely be time for England to be involved, even if that was what

they wanted.
Meanwhile, preparations contique in South Africa for their return. Plans to build a new main grandstand at the Wanderers, Johannesburg, to raise the capacity to 32,000 have been brought forward in an attempt to complete the 25 million rand project in time for what will now be a full Test tour by India from October to December next year.

Sri Lanka yesterday offered to tour India in place of Pakistan. whose visit was cancelled on Sunday because of threats by Hindu militants to sabotage a match in Bombay.

New South Wales, not tra-

ditionally a strong side at the one-day game, won Australia's state limited-overs competition for only the third time in 23 years when they beat Western Australia in Perth at the weekend. In a low-scoring match New South Wales comfortably: Australia and New Zealand. A report in the Johannesburg Star that England had been invited that England had been invited cars for 130. The only player to exceed 50 was Western Austra-

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hish Whishe RUGBY PORLD CUP WELL SERVICE Section 2 Charles

Everton are likely to be without five regulars for their third-round tie with Wolverhampton Wanderers at Goodison Park

# Awford threatens United's progress in Rumbelows Cup

United forward who under-Trafford tonight. The teenage Portsmouth sweeper has been promising start to the season Robins recalled up front. at the second division club,

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Awford, the United full backs will be relieved to learn that an ankle injury makes Mark Portsmouth.

Smith, the Portsmouth man- Jackson. ager, is pinning his principal Their absence may mean

hopes of success.

lau Branfoot, the Southamp-

rejected a £250,000 offer from Aston Villa, who have had him

international left back, near the

Crystal Palace paid Swindon

on loan for the past month.

cash shortfall

Bodin (Louise Taylor writes). Carr, who cost Newcastle Southampton paid a club record fee of £1 million to the from Nottingham Forest in the

second division side for Mc- summer, would replace the in-

Loughlin, a Republic of Ireland jured John Salako on the Palace international midfield player, wing, while Bodin may thrive if £300,000 of which was depen-

dent on him playing 30 matches. now at Newcastle but previously

He has so far played 23, and his manger at Swindon. Ardiles Southampton are determined to would be loath to part with Carr,

lau Branfoot, the Southampton manager, wants £500,000 his defence is a priority, for McLoughlin, and yesterday rejected a £250,000 offer from Hoddle, the Swindon player-

£550,000 for Bodin, a Welsh tion from the second division.

McLoughlin, he has struggled to ton, his former club, yesterday

make an impact in the first when he signed Gary Coats-division. worth, a central defender, for

Like Southampton, Palace £15,000. Coatsworth is expected

agreed to pay Swindon an to deputise for Tony James, the undisclosed part of the fee after central defender who broke his

Bodin made a set number of leg last Saturday.

WOE betide any Manchester United already without the also enjoy rare run-outs in the injured Paul Ince and Mark first team. estimates Andy Awford at Old Phelan and the suspended Phelan and the suspended Bull has gone six games Mark Hughes, that may mean without scoring, and Graham Clayton Blackmore being the inspiration behind a moved to midfield, and Mark

While involvement in which intends to remove Alex Europe could leave United sense a depression about the Ferguson's side from the over-stretched on too many Rumbelows Cup.

If Brian McClair and com
fronts, Everton have fewer distractions to divert them pany will need to be wearing when they, too, face second their sharpest shooting boots division opposition in a thirdin order to get the better of round tie at Goodison Park

Chamberlain, the former Eng- Wanderers are entitled to land winger who seems to fancy their chances in any have acquired a new lease of one-off cup situation, and will life this autumn, doubtful for be encouraged by the injury news from Everton, who are Aged 19, Awford is the likely to be without Ratcliffe, individual on which Jim Sheedy, Ward, Harper, and

places for Beagrie, who has Bryan Robson, the United returned from his loan period captain, will start on the at Sunderland, and Nevin, substitutes' beach after straining a hamstring at Sheffield Youds, a defender, and Bar-Wednesday on Saturday. With low, a reserve forward, could

The Norwich defence should beware of Holdsworth, the visiting forward who has scored 15 times this season, Swindon facing a including six goals in the Rumbelows Cup. With Ben-stead, Brentford's first choice goalkeeper who used to play for Norwich, injured, Bayes, aged 19, is likely to be handed SWINDON Town faced the appearances. He is apparently the task of thwarting the first unpalatable prospect of readjusting their budget yesterday
when it became apparent that
they are unlikely to receive the
full anticipated transfer fees for
Alan McLoughlin and Paul
Park and Bodin to Tyneside. division attack.

said: "That equals his worst

ever run, so he should be inspired tonight. You can

lad when he is not knocking

the ball into the back of the

backlash from Nottingham

Forest at the City Ground. On

Saturday Brian Clough's defence — one of the most

expensive in the first division

- were humbled 3-1 by lowly

Southampton, a result that the

likes of Walker, Pearce, Tiler, and Charles are anxious to

exorcise against their strug-

gling second division visitors.

overcome first at Carrow

Road where Brentford aim to

sting Norwich City. The pros-

pect does not intimidate Phil

Holder, the Brentford man-

Third division attempts to

Bristol Rovers must fear a

Another understudy poised to attract a rare ray of limelight is Groves, the Arsenal forward who is expected to replace the injured Campbell at Coventry.
Terry Butcher's team ruf-

fled Arsenal by beating them 2-1 in the League at Highbury earlier this season, but have lost their last four games and give a debut to Booty, aged 20, at right back. Butcher said: "You could not ask for a much harder baptism. They are incredibly strong in attack, but Booty has to start against

Rumbelows tie, Southampton find themselves deprived of £750,000 worth of players. Lee, a winger, and Wood, a central defender, are cup-tied having played for Bury and Millwall respectively in earlier rounds of the competition. Their absence is likely to involve recalls for Horne and



### Clough promises recovery

trough (Chris Moore writes). season, Forest have suffered successive defeats against two of the bottom three clubs in the him, and the rest of our board, first division, Sheffield United for the national share and Saraham. and Southampton.

"I know what will be going through people's minds," Clough said. "We are fourteenth in the first division; we have lost seven League games; we are moment, but that is nothing Surton in conceding goals all over the compared to the load he is Crossley.

club I would be starting to worry In the night's remaining Despite spending more than £5 about the manager and question million on new players this one or two things. But Maurice Roworth need not worry

> shown over the last two months. don't feel any need to hide." "The chairman, in particular, deserves my loyalty and support. I am not sure which one of our goalkeepers to pick at the

BRIAN Clough, the Notting-place; and we have spent £5 carrying. But he has never ham Forest manager, yesterday million of company money. vowed to steer the team of its "If I was the chairman of the played as badly as we did against "After a performance like that other managers would have fear of getting the sack. But not me, The chairman and the

> Clough has not yet named a squad for tonight's Rumbelows Cup tie at home to Bristol Rovers, but could recall Steve Sutton in goal in place of Mark

> > **ICE HOCKEY**

Devils go top after double success

### Italy experiences embarrassing drought of goals

OVERSEAS FOOTBALL by PETER ROBINSON

best players, but the combina-tion of money and famous names does not guarantee goals. Always prone to negative, defensive football, the league reached a new low on Sunday when just eight goals were scored in nine matches. It was the worst total in the history of the Italian Serie A. The average number of goals per game this season has been 1.9.

Luciano Nizzola, the league president, said: "Perhaps the best solution would be to introduce the English system which rewards a win with three president, Antonio Materesse, so expressed concern, without, however, recommending that the League switches to the English system: "Our champ-ionship is followed and envied all over the world but we shouldn't fool ourselves into believing that we have the best football by divine right." Although AC Milan suc-

ceeded in scoring once to inflict yet another defeat on David Platt's hapless Bari, their performance was widely criticised for with the support of those who being too boring. After being too boring more accused of delivering more passes back to the goalkeeper in Barcelona attracted 76,000 specone match than in four years under the attack-minded Arrigo Costacurta, said: "So, you saw a lot of passes back to the goal-

richest in Europe, it may feature win it's sometimes necessary to many, if not most, of the world's pass the ball to the goalkeeper." What about entertaining the spectators? Winning, it would seem, is everything in Italy.

Juventus would not argue with that, however. They managed to score twice against Cremmese, through Carrera and Casiraghi, to move to the top of the table.

In the Soviet Union, CSKA Moscow won their first national championship since 1971 when they won 1-0 at Dynamo Moscow. As their principal rivals, Spartak Moscow, lost at home to 2-1 to Torpedo Moscow. that provided a satisfying end-ing to a season CSKA might otherwise have wanted to forget. in June, the club's goalkeeper, Mikhail Yeremin, was killed in a car crash.

Barcelona ended the unbeaten

run of Atlético Madrid in Spain with a 1-0 victory that delighted their manager, Johan Cruyff. "It was an extraordinary display," he said. "After a game like that, you cannot be negative about anything. I had not seen such good football for a long time."
Cruyff added: "I'm delighted rators to the Nou Camp for the visit of Atlético. Real Madrid,

### Papin is accused of faking injury

JEAN-PIERRE Papin has been seven or eight minutes after the accused of faking his injury when be collapsed after being hit on the head by a half-empty lager can before Marseilles's league match at St Etienne two

weeks ago.

"We would not have discharged him if there had been anything wrong with him," Dr Jean Bertrand, head of the emergency unit at the St Etienne hospital, told the sports news-

and sat on the substitutes' bench during the match which Mar-seilles lost 1-0. At first it was claimed he had been hit by a half-pint beer bottle as he got off the team bus in the St Etienne

car park.

"What this doctor says is a one-match suspension on unbelievable," Papin said. "I Jean-Pierre Papin, who was was asked if I wanted to stay in booked for the second time fracture and I felt all right then I Stefan Reuter, the German asked to leave. I'm going to see
my solicitor about this."

international defender, had an
operation on his right knee

The St Etienne club doctor, Guy Demonteil, joined in the row when he said Papin could

incident and clinically found nothing wrong with him," Dr Demonteil said. "I think he could have played that night." The Spanish Football Federation was fined \$50,000 for crowd trouble during a European championship match against France this month. A European Football Union (Uefa) spokeswoman said irate supporters had thrown objects paper, L'Equipe. on the pitch after the match and
Papin, France's leading the Spanish federation had until
scorer, returned to the ground tomorrow to appeal against tomorrow to appeal against

The match in Seville on October 12 was won 2-1 by France, who qualified for the 1992 finals in Stockholm. Uefa's control and disci-

he match. operation on his right knee

yesterday and is expected to be out of the Juventus side for four or five weeks. He tore a cartilage have played. "I examined him in training.

**BRIDGE** 

World games

are planned

for S Africa

THE World Bridge Federation

will be the first sports organis-

ation to stage an official world championship in the Republic

of South Africa following the

International Olympic Commit-

tee's relaxation of its stance in

the summer (Albert Dormer

### **SWIMMING**

# Medal winners get Olympic reward

By CRAIG LORD

THE selection policy au-nounced in July for the Olympic Games next year has been relaxed, extending the luxury of pre-selection to four swimmers but reopening the debate as to whether such a move benefits the individuals and the development of the national team.

Top of the list are Adrian Moorhouse, who defends his 100 metres breaststroke title in Barcelona, and Nick Gillingham, the European champion, who broke the world short-

**FOOTBALL** 

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record last week. Both are in the been made by coaches in recog-leading three in the world this nition of the superb perfor-

but with United struggling in the

manager, who could have used

the money strengthening his

team's attempt to win promo-

Brian Little, the Leicester City

They are joined by Ian Wilson, the runner-up in the 1,500 metres freestyle at the European championships at Athens in August, who is ranked fourth in the world, and Mike Fibbens, the bronze medal winner at 50 metres freestyle in Athens, ranked fifth.

Terry Denison, the head

coach to the national team and domestic target to pursue. How-to Moorhouse at City of Leeds, ever, after failing to qualify for said the request for a change had

FA CLIP: Fourth qualifying round replays

year and would have earned pre-mances of Wilson, a student at selection under the original Sunderland, and Fibbens, of Barnet Copthall, in Athens.

> psychological boost that will The recent record, however. would appear to show that Fibbens, the Barnet sprinter who is enjoying his best season, trains harder when given a

Denison said: "Basically, we're hoping they'll see it as a vote of confidence in them, a world championships last certain for Moorhou

would have seen him perform there as he did in Athens, He added that the pre-selection of Moorhouse might be seen as contentions, a point not lost on Denison. With Gilling-ham, of City of Birmingham, committed to trying for a place in the team at 100 metres, James Parrack, of Leeds, still capable of repeating the time which ranked him third in the world last year, and the rapid pro-gression of Richard Maden, of Rochdale Aquabears, a top-two placing in Britain is by no means

Cardiff Devils at the top (Norman de Mesquita writes). Week-Bracknell Bees and Nottingham

Todd Bidner, player-coach of which they lost 6-5, but he was back against Murrayfield Racers and scored three times in an

Heineken League continues to with only one win in their last be unpredictable, but there is five games, and are in ninth something familiar about seeing place. Even Billingham Bombend wins over Durham Wasps thers and 6-0 to Humberside and Norwich and Peterborough
Pirates saw them move ahead of the shut-out, the first in the the Bees, was suspended for the away game with Ayr Raiders, scored eight times in the second period against Trafford Metros, while the Wildcats made heavy weather of bearing Blackburn

mith only one win in their last five games, and are in ninth place. Even Billingham Bombers are ahead of them, despite losing 13-1 to Nottingham Panthers and 6-0 to Humberside Senhawks. Ian Young posted the shut-out, the first in the premier division for four years. Swindon Wildcats and Fife Flyers continue to show the way in the first division. The Flyers scored eight times in the second as the second specific of the second 
Ernesto d'Orsi, the WBF president, said: "We have al-ready promised the South African Bridge Federation [SABF] they can play in the Epson worldwide bridge contest next June, when we confidently ex-pect a new world record for any official sporting event, hopefully reaching the 100,000 barrier. We are also talking of holding our most prestigious events, the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup world team championships, in Tournament bridge in South

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Africa has always been multiracial, but in 1983 the SABF agreed, in the interest of harmony, not to exercise their legal right to participate in WBF events unless specially invited.
In view of this, d'Orsi, a
Brazilian, feels that in the new atmosphere the WBF world body owes the SABF a reciprocal gesture.

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Bury v Erith and Belveders; Hythe v
Sthingbourne. Middlend divisions Leicaster
Utd v RC Warwick; Sutton Coldfield v

Brighton v Leicester (7 45). Chariton v loswich (7 45). Duckey

DADORA LEAGUE: Third division: Feithern and Hoursilow B v Hornchurch.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: (7.0): First division: Botton v Sheffield Utd; Leeds v Nannchestre Utd; Newcastie v Bradford; Rotherham v Sunderland. Second division: Blackpool v Hulf; Darby v Scunthorpe: Natclesbrough v Huddersteict; Octam v Notes County, Port Vale v Wigen; Stoke v Chariton v Ipswich (7 45)..... Southend v Oxford Utd (7.45)...... GM Vauxhall Conference Yeovil v Colchester ...... B and Q Scottish League

Presson.
MEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Ful-hem v QPR (2.0), Ipswich v Norwich; Oxford Aberdeen v Motherwell UTG V SWITCOT. ALLBRIGHT BITTER WELSH CUP: Third

round: Mostyn v Hereford (at Fint).
NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division:
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Newtown v Whitby; Shidton v Gretne; South
Bernt v West Auckland.
GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division:
Bideford v Minchesol. THE TIMES **JAMESON** CLIFTON STOCKBROKERS LEAGUE: Phymouth Arbyle v Bristol City. -Irish Whiskey\_

RUGBY LEAGUE BRITISH COAL INTERNATIONAL Great British Under 21 v Pagus New Guines (at Headingley, 7.30).

RUGBY UNION World Cup Third-place play-off New Zeeland v Scotland (at Cardiff Arms Park, 2.30) CLUB MATCH: Northempton (7.30).

OTHER SPORT

BOXING: Commonwealth super-middle tria: Herry Wharton (Leads) v Lou Gent (Streathern) (Leads Town Hell). ICE HOCKEY: Autumn Cup: Semi-finel, second leg: Humberskie Scallawiss v Durham Wasps.

### Tour lead changes

JOHN Charlesworth, the British cyclist, dropped to third place yesterday after leading the 825mile Rapport Tour in South Africa for seven days. At the end of the ninth and longest stage, Mark Beneke, of South Africa, led Charlesworth by 3min 53sec. Charlesworth believes that he still has a chance of victory

when the race ends at Port Elizabeth on Saturday. He is counting on doing a better time-trial in tomorrow's split stage than second-placed Angelo Canzonieri, of Italy.
Canzonieri, who won yesterday's 110-mile stage from Swellendam 10 Mossel Bay, trails Beneke by Imin 09sec.
Charlesworth finished 4min behind Canzonieri's breakensy.

hind Canzonieri's breakaway group of five riders. RUGBY LEAGUE: Adam

Fogerry, Britain's No. 3 heavy-weight boxer, has received an offer from Oldham and expects offer from Oldham and expects an approach from his including the lower club, Halifar ogerty, aged 22 and 6ft 4ir. tall, said: "I'm good enough to hold down a first-team place and I think I can do well." Fogerty, whose father, Terry, played for Great Britain, used to spar with Oldham's Australian boss Peter. ham's Australian boss, Peter Tunks, a former boxer. "Adam is big and strong — the sort of forward we are looking for,'

YACHTING: Organisers of the Sydney to Hobart race will allow boars to put sponsors' logos on their spinnakers, but have ruled

out tobacco and alcohol advertising. Last year, the first yacht to complete the 630-mile yacht to compare the oso-interace, Rothmans, of Britain, was penalised for flying a spinnaker bearing the cigarette manufacturer's name. The Cruising Yacht Club of Australia expects about 106 starters, the same as

ROWING: Tish Reid, Britain's leading woman sculler, who appealed unsuccessfully against her non-selection for the world championships last summer, finished fourth in the Head of the Charles in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Reid finished 28see behind Anne Marden, the London-based American, who was fourth in the Vienna world championships. Marden won the event for the fifth time.

BOWLS: Janet Ackland will defend her world ontdoor singles title at Ayr next year. gies titte at Ayr next year.

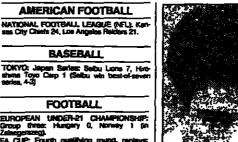
TEAM: Wales: Singles: Jaret Ackland
(Penarth, Belle Vue). Pales: Ackland and
Bestly Mangan (Landmindod Welle, Triples:
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Vai Howell (Merthy: West End.) Many Devies
Clandwidedd Welle), Pal Jones (Glanch
Bargood). Fours: Howel, Davies, Jones,
Margen. Manager: Ann Dainton (Barry
Plastics).

GOLF: India and Taiwan have pulled out of the World Cup tournament, which begins to-morrow. Taiwan withdrew because one of their players could not get a visa. Austria will replace India and officials hope Belgium will replace Taiwan. TENNIS: Michael Stich, the

Wimbledon champion, has withdrawn from the Paris Open because of tennis elbow. CRICKET: Simon Hinks, released by Kent at the end of last season, has signed a three-year contract with Gloucestershire.

# Blockbawks,

THE premier division of the The Racers are struggling,



ein 12-11 on pens).

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'A YOUTH CUP- First round: Bury 3, bunderland 3, Notifingham Fores 0, Wolves 0, fark 1, Beccloum 1, Bournemouth 2, Swansea 0, Full Land 1, Bourney 0, HTS LOANS LEAGUE: First division: Guiseley 1, Workgoo 1,

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# **SPORT**

# Factors that give Wallabies an edge



Handling skill: Andrew plays with daughter, Emily, in the pool at their Lincolnshire retreat

f all the players in the England squad in the Rugby World Cup, I suppose no one knows the Australians better than I do. I spent six months in Sydney a few years back playing for the Gordon club and I quickly came to realise what makes Australian sportsmen tick. I found it quite different to anything I had been used to in my rugby career which had embraced

The thread which runs through all Australian sports is the competitive edge. Everything from schoolboy level upwards is organised and arranged in leagues. You will find an under-14 fifth team playing in a league: it is so competitive from top to bottom.

Cambridge University and Wasps.

It is arranged so that it would be like Wasps' first, second, third, fourth and fifth teams playing their direct opponents from the Bath club. There is no such thing as friendly rugby out there and I can perfectly well understand why the Wallabies have been able to

the years by the All Blacks.
Since 1984, the Australians

have also been blessed with some very talented, tremendously skil-ful players. When you combine that with their competitive levels and fitness standards, it is not difficult to see why they have been the only team to match up to the New Zealanders. Now they have probably overtaken the All Blacks - an enormous achievement.

All the great teams have these qualities: high skills, fitness and total commitment. Take out just one of those qualities and it is next to impossible to become a side of the absolute highest merit. The game today demands all these qualities.

I found living and playing in Sydney a delight. It really is so different to being in Britain. The moment you wake up, you have the feeling that you want to get going, training, running or whatever it is. Of course, the climate is an integral part of all this. Even in

Three days before the Rugby World Cup final at Twickenham, the England stand-off half, Rob Andrew, examines

Australia's rugby roots

winter, it is usually quite pleasant. I don't believe that I once wore a tracksuit for evening training in the winter I was there. It was just shirt, shorts and socks. In the an English winter, you sometimes have to wear two tracksuits to stay warm - and that makes a big difference to not only the quality of your training but the duration.

In Sydney, I found I was staying out longer for training and the conditions were always better for practising your skills. In other words, the conditions in Australia provide a significant advantage.

I found Australia physically much tougher. The training techniques were not necessarily world-shattering but people just trained harder. There was a lot

more physical contact work than I had been used to and I found their fitness levels and physical contributions to the games and training sessions much higher than here at the time.

This Wallabies side at the World Cup is quite young by comparison with the England team. There is a tradition of young Australian sides, partly because several union players have turned to professional rugby league. That means new young Wallabies often get thrown in at the deep end.

I believe they can get away with that far more than we could in the British Isles, because their youngsters have been brought up in such a competitive rugby environment. However, due to that intense level

of competition, they lend to burn out at an early age. in Britain, players go on longer because they have not had that great competitive involvement but I expect this to change in the next

Talking of which, I said goodbye last night to my 16-month-old daughter, Emily, together with my wife, Sara, as we headed off to our base at a Surrey hotel to prepare for Saturday. It was a delightful short break in Lincolnshire with our families. Six of the England players have baby daughters. so there was a nice family almosphere, a lovely change from

the intense level of rugby.
But now the pace is quickening and we can see the large stands of Twickenham from our hotel room windows. Our concentration and our preparation are building up for what will undoubtedly be the most important game of rugby all of us have ever played.

☐ Interview by Peter Bills.

Size may count against Australian forwards

# Calder considers England the best bet for final

By DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

ENGLAND, who arrived in London last night to begin the final phase of their quest for rugby union's World Cup, received at the same time support from a player who has been a thorn in their side - or perhaps a thistle underfoot for the last five years: Finlay Calder, the 1989 British Isles

row of the Scottish side beaten 9-6 by England at Murrayfield in his 34th and last interin the third-place play-off Sunday as a springboard to match at Cardiff, Having revictory, is based on his knowencounter with the All Blacks. lia two years ago.

It is his belief that England will beat Australia at Twickenham in Saturday's final and lift the Webb Ellis Cup. "I think England will win will not be mature enough to Paul Ackford and Mike

NICK Farr-Jones, the Austra-

lian captain, said yesterday

a serious dent in the popular-

created considerable interest

states achieving large viewing

figures for the live telecasts of

the Australian matches.

(Peter Bills writes).

Boost for the game

that victory for his side in the certainly, to make it more

World Cup final against Eng- financially possible for the

land on Saturday could lead to guys in this Australian team to

ity of rugby league in Australia league offers. It is my

The success of Australia has of the guys will go to league.

at home, with even non-rugby Cup has created is tremendous



handle them," he said in Calder played in the back Bristol, where Scotland trained yesterday.

His opinion, contrary to Wallabies' fluid style and turned from retirement for the ledge of the England forwards World Cup, he will return to who helped the Lions to a 2-1 club rugby after his fourth series success against Austra-

Though Dean Richards, so formidable a figure on that tour, has since been relegated to the England replacements, four of the forwards remain because the Australian pack Brian Moore, Wade Dooley,

Farr-Jones said: "We are

trying to make advances and,

resist the temptations of rugby

considered opinion that none

for our game," he said.

"It simply isn't

cricket not

to make

"The attention this World

Photograph, page 38

the lineout and Ackford and Dooley will make the Australians struggle," Calder said.
"I don't think McCall, Eales

and Coker are bulky enough to knock England out of the lineout contest. They may still do what they did against the All Blacks and use Eales at the tail but England are so good on their own ball I can't see Australia upsetting them. "The England forwards will

play it as the Lions did in 1989. They will grind Australia down and they will win." last Saturday and today plays those of many who see the In fact, New Zealand won more lineout ball than Australia in Dublin on Sunday but Bob Dwyer, the Wallabies coach, expressed satisfaction with Troy Coker, preferred at No. 8 and likely to be included when the team for

the final is named today. "He made a significant contribution and will gain in confidence from it," he said. "Maybe the consistency of football in this World Cup has

brought the best out of him." Coker has had a chequered career since he was first capped during the 1987 tournament, caused partly by his prolonged stay in England studying at Oxford University, but he settled last season into the Harlequins team ironically - as Ackford's regu-

lar second-row partner. Calder also expressed his lack of comprehension at the criticism of England's methods. "There were 14 other teams in the World Cup who would love to have been in the final at Twickenham," he

"If those others had possessed the same artillery as England have at their disposal, I'm sure they would have used it in the same way. We Scots would have been more than happy with a three point win at Murraylield last

Saturday, I can tell you."
Geoff Cooke, the England
manager, said: "People can say what they like. We know that we are in the final and we have the statistics to show that we are moving the ball at a normal rate for international rugby. We know that the whole country is behind us." Roger Uttley, the England coach, arrived in London

ahead of the party yesterday to receive his OBE at Buckingham Palace. Kirk's view, page 38

By PATRICIA DAVIES



Taking stock: Eubank with the trophy for the best bout of the year

### Eubank remains uncertain

By Srikumar Sen, boxing correspondent

CHRIS Eubank, the World middleweight champion, is still not sure whether he will stay in boxing. He said yesabout Michael Watson, who suffered brain damage in a bout with him last month, to think about his own career.

"I never thought I could inflict such damage on an opponent," he said. "I still haven't come to terms with it. Without question it has changed me. It makes me think whether I can go on with

Eubank is expected to have Boxing Organisation super- a clearer idea of his position after returning from a holiday in the United States. He said: "It has been a very difficult time for me. It's a time for taking stock. I am waiting to

see his [Watson's] progress." Eubank was talking in London after receiving the British Boxing Board of Control's award for his bout with Nigel Benn, which was voted the best bout of the year.

Dave McAuley, of Northern Ireland, received the award for the best boxer. McAuley, the International Boxing Federa- seas boxer.

tion flyweight champion, has boxed in eight world championships. McAuley won the world title in 1989 and has defended it a record five

The award for services to boxing went to Muhammad Ali. It was received on the great man's behalf by Duke McKenzie, the WBO bantamweight champion.

Wally Swift, the British light-middleweight champion. took the sportsmanship award and Donovan Boucher, of Canada, was voted best over-

# London police ban altered kick-off times

LONDON football followers any of the 3pm League kickmorning, many supporters will be strongly tempted to swap their spot on the terraces

for a seat in the armchair. Accordingly, there are likely to be spaces in the crowd at Highbury - where Arsenal play West Ham United, Selburst Park - where Wimbledon face Leeds United, The Den - which hosts Millwall versus Portsmouth, and Brisbane Road the venue for Leyton Orient's

meeting with Exeter City. Seventeen League clubs attracted their lowest crowds of the season last Saturday when their games kicked off half an hour after the start of England's rugby semi-final in Scotland, and they wish to avert further financial

hardship. The Football League has said it will sanction any kickoff time from 1 lam, but clubs have to win the agreement of local police, and regional forces have proved more flexible than the Metropolitan

Ten fixtures have already without videos, or who feel been switched, and Eddie compelled to watch the Rugby Plumley, the chief executive of World Cup final live on Watford, who face an 11.30am television, face a dilemma on start at Sunderland, said: "The Saturday. With the Metropoli- League has been absolutely tan Police refusing to move innundated with inquiries. The whole world and his wife off times in the capital to the have woken up to the fact England are playing on

Plumley said: "It now means that our supporters will have to set out at 5am, but we still expect 300 or 400 diehards to make the trip to Roker Park. The team will travel to Sunderland on Friday, and return by coach after the match. But there is no television on the coach and we have no plans to install one just to watch the rugby."

Geoff Davidson, the Sunderland secretary, said: says it is wrong, and we just hope the supporters will accept our kick-off switch. We have agreed to give Watford supporters a third off the admission price in order to compensate them for the early departure."

### Townsend to have hernia operation

end, is out of the vital Euro- games against Manchester pean championship qualifying United, Sheffield Wednesday match against Turkey in Istanbul on November 13. The Chelsea captain will have a hernia operation today and is expected to be out of action until the new year.

Townsend played in Chelsea's goalless draw with Crystal Palace on Saturday, despite the injury, but after seeing a specialist yesterday was recommended for surgery, which is expected to rule him out for six to eight weeks.

Chelsea's managing director, Colin Hutchinson, said: "We just want to get on with it and get him fit again as soon as possible. He has been carrying the injury for some time now and it's a blow for

The Irish have to beat Turkey to stand any chance of qualifying for the finals in Sweden next summer.

THE Republic of Ireland Townsend will also miss immidfield player, Andy Townsportant pre-Christmas League and Coventry City, among others.

Chelsea's central defender, Jason Cundy, has signed a new contract, keeping him at Stamford Bridge until June



Townsend: long absence

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# ANDREA Doyle, the new intelligence."

executive director of the Women Professional Golfers' European Tour (WPGET). dismisses suggestions that her lack of background in the sport is a hindrance. "I don't think it's rocket science." she said at the WPGET headquarters at Tytherington, near Macclesfield, "and I don't think I'm of subnormal

"Of course, I've got reference books, but I've also got icient, go-getting image she a good team. If you want to and the tour wish her to company in both financial and

Doyle looks past the hazards of a testing task run everything, get a corner shop. As Alan Sugar said when to talk about the past. Perhaps he took over Tottenham [Hotspur]. I don't know anyto run a company'. That's the way I feel," she added.

Dovle is right, of course, to emphasise that at least she came to the job with no preconceived ideas and no history that golfers could relate to, either to praise or criticise. She must be taken entirely on her merits. In keeping with the eff-

wisely, she showed no inclination to comment on the thing about football, I'm here shambolic handling of her appointment and the, at best, grossly insensitive ousting of Joe Flanagan, her predecessor. Flanagan had certainly lost the confidence of his members but he was due to retire at the end of November, Instead, last month, a letter from Janice

Arnold, the WPGET chair-

man, informed him that he

was dismissed. So Doyle, who works for a

elopment manager, is now in

said, "and build on that. Next said. "They work very hard, year will be extremely difficult practise well and look good. I but there is great potential."

Charlie Brown once said, Push the tour forwards." "nothing weighs you down as Doyle's job is essentially clear-ties. Doyle looks and sounds persuade the public that it is ship, "Bossy" was someone's

European business dev- profile (the present image struck her as "non-existent") sole charge.

"We have to consolidate material she has to work with what we've already got," she
"The players are great," she want us to work as a team, to

A practical, down-to-earth much as great potential", but Yorkshirewoman in her forcut. She must sell the tour, as though she will stand no persuade sponsors that wom-nonsense. She has the air of en's golf is worth backing and someone who will run a tight rather unkind summation.

Someone else might have used "authoritative". As a whole, the players' initial comments have been approving, and even the caddies are enthusiastic. They will all remain that way only if Doyle comes up with more tournaments and more

money. She must hope they allow her the time to achieve that. While her ship may be wallowing rather than sinking the new skipper needs all hands to the pumps - now.

